

Five Mile River Commission Minutes
October 18, 2012

Commission members in attendance:

Matthew Marion, chairman
Dirk Leasure
John deRegt
William Jessup
Ray Meurer, harbor superintendent
David Snyder, assistant harbor superintendent

Chairman Marion took the chair at 7:37 p.m.

The minutes of the June 7, 2012, meeting were reviewed and unanimously approved.

The questions of who to call when a boat sinks or when some other disaster occurs in the river was discussed. It was suggested the following agencies be notified in the following order: U.S. Coast Guard Long Island Sound, Eatons Neck Coast Guard, Department of Environment and Energy Protection and the City of Norwalk 911.

Two applications from the Darien Planning and Zoning Commission were reviewed; 7 Davis Lane and 18 Five Mile River Road. It was determined that no action was required by the commission.

Chairman Marion directed the harbor superintendent to notify Tammy Papp, administrative assistant, to scan and email to the commission members, as soon as possible, all applications that come in the mail from the DEEP and Darien Planning & Zoning Board.

Preparations for future maintenance dredging were discussed. It was noted today's costs are four times more than the 1999 dredging and that help from state agencies exist for boatyards and marinas to secure funds for dredging of their own docks.

Chairman Marion directed the harbor superintendent to secure a list of dredging projects in western Long Island Sound in the last five years.

In an effort to accumulate more funds for future dredging, increases in the harbor use fee were discussed.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:46 p.m.

The next regular scheduled meeting is November 15, 2012.

Respectfully submitted,
Ray Meurer, Harbor Superintendent