COASTAL WATERS COMMISSION

MINUTES, MEETING OF 09/22/2016

Members Present: Geoff Summa, Aaron Rugh, Justin Doughty
Also Present: Genaro Balzano, Pam Curran

1. Call to Order: Meeting called to order at 6:15 p.m. by Geoff Summa

2. Approval of Minutes: Motion to accept 06/23/16 minutes by Justin Doughty. Aaron Rugh second. Unanimous

3. Items for Discussion:
   a. Proposed revision to Coastal Waters Rules and Regulations regarding tie-up at Float A, Stone Wharf and the float at Cousins Island. Quorum not available for a motion (Geoff Summa and Andrew Todd would have a conflict of interest), however, as a committee, there was no objection to the wording of the proposed revision.
   b. Bennett’s Cove barge ramp. Town installed a sand ramp earlier in the spring without proper approval, requiring its removal and replacement with rip-rap. Rip-rap surface has caused numerous complaints. Pam Curran says it is impassable and that the barge activity there has exposed the under-sea electrical cable serving other islands and damage the dunes and eel grass. In representing her neighborhood, she requested that “CWC works with a citizens’ advisory committee on the issue of alternate barge sites to bring people up to speed, and to consider creating an ordinance relative to island-wide barging.” It was noted that the Code Enforcement Officer has said that there are 10 alternate barge sites on the island. CWC to reach out to CEO for this information.
   c. Town vessel removal date: 10/1
   d. Float removal date: 12/1
   e. Placement of two town-owned moorings: deferred to later date.

3. New Business:
   a. HM would like two (or more) new rental moorings at Stone Wharf. Dock fees amounted to $300-400/week this summer. CWC requested exact amounts.
   b. Possible HM shed at Stone Wharf: HM asked to compile cost data.
   c. Aaron Rugh made a motion that float edges be painted boldly to indicate respective permissions/restrictions in an effort to cut down on abuse of the float privileges. Justin Doughty second. Unanimous
   d. CWC will work with HM to get Town marine information on Active Captain. Will also investigate options with Dockwa for mooring reservation.
   e. Pam Curran would like to see some sort of stewardship arrangement for the island’s beaches similar to what Long Island has.

4. Harbormaster Report:
   a. HM has plotted 337 moorings and will be working with Herb Maine to create a usable database
   b. Nothing significant in shellfish activity to report

Adjourned: The meeting was adjourned at 8:50 p.m.