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HARBOR MANAGEMENT COMMISSION

HMC Meeting
DATE: Wednesday November 1, 2023
TIME: 7:00 PM
LOCATION: Town Hall Community Room

Minutes

Meeting came to order at 6:00 pm

In attendance were Commissioner Kane, Commissioner Chillock, Commissioner King, Commissioner Devanney, and Commissioner Hays.

There were 2 audience of citizens, Mr Foggitt and Mr Rooke

The commissioners interviewed candidate, Jeffrey Foggitt for HMC membership to fill the Josh Deans vacated seat on the commission. Motion to approve made by Commissioner Chillock, seconded by Commissioner Devanney, motion carried.

The commission discussed reappointment of Commissioner Chillock, Brelsford, and Hays. Commissioner Brelsford requested his appointment be changed from full member to alternate moving commissioner Hays to the full position. Motion to reappoint Commissioner Chillock, reappoint Commissioner Breslford as an alternate, and reappoint Commissioner Hays as a full member was made by Commissioner King, seconded by Commissioner Devanney, motion carried.

The commission discussed the conversation Commissioner Chillock had with the Building Official about the Parkers Point Boat ramp. Commissioner Chillock reported that Mr Leighton was looking to engage DPW and Nathan Jacobson & Associates in potential repair activities. Chairman Kane stated that an onsite review and discussion with Mr Leighton and DPW was in order before engaging the engineering firm. The commissioners all agreed that any repairs to the ramp must be able to withstand the harsh conditions, meet all Federal and State requirements, and suitable for increased utilization. Chairman Kane will coordinate with Mr Leighton and DPW to meet onsite at low mean tide at a day and time suitable to all parties.

The commission discussed the 3rd iteration of the Pre-application permit for Dock Rd (Assessor Lot #187). It was determined that the latest design presented by Coastline Consulting & Development incorporated all the HMC's earlier recommended adjustments for the proposed dock. The new structure design does not impede on

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Chester Creek navigation. The commission concluded additional deed restrictions must be included in the application, including a beam restriction of a maximum 15 feet and all HMC policies regarding docks and navigation. Commissioner Hayes made a motion to approve the Pre-application with deed restrictions, Commissioner Chillock seconded, motion carried.

Motion to adjourn made by Commissioner Devanney, 2nd by Commissioner Chillock at 7:58.