

Warren Harbor Commission
Minutes from the March 2nd, 2016 Meeting

Present

William J. Kemp (chairman)
Don Betts
Tom Culora
Bill Hunt
Craig Lippman
John Treacy
Ed Cabral – Harbormaster
David Pion – Assistant Harbormaster

Absent:

none

1. Meeting Opened by Chairman Kemp at 7:08 PM
2. Minutes of February 3, 2016 meeting unanimously approved as amended.
3. Aquaculture initiative update
 - a. Discussion of upcoming presentation to Warren Town Council
 - i. A DEM research/education permit will be requested.
 - ii. Equipment donation committed by Roger Williams University.
 - iii. Town to provide connections, provide initial seeding and create signage. Grants may be available to cover some or all of the associated costs.
 - iv. Chairman Kemp is on the Town Council's March 8 agenda.
 - b. Discussion of the inter-relationships between the various water quality testing initiatives locally and throughout the State. Examples include: the Palmer River, Warren River, and south of Jacobs Point classifications.
4. Harbormaster's report – Ed is working with the Town Manager requesting State assistance for ramp reconstruction. The 2016-17 budget to be reviewed at week's end with the Town Manager.
5. Rights of Way – work to date reviewed by Chairman Kemp and Craig. Two draft applications need updating.
 - a. Discussion about the process used to abandon a public right of way, and where it has historically been attempted.
6. Harbor Management Plan Update – collaborative document available on Google docs
 - a. Tom's update is complete; Bill will update within a week.

- b. Ed released an update on water quality yesterday. There was a comment that FEMA maps on the State server remain troublesome.

7. Other Business – None

8. Meeting adjourned at 8:30 PM

William J. Kemp, Chairman

Craig Lippman, Secretary