



CRMC Dock Subcommittee Minutes

Friday, June 30, 2006; 9:15 a.m.
Stedman Government Center
Wakefield, RI

Council Members Present: Jerry Sahagian, Neill Gray, Bruce Dawson
Legal Counsel: None Present
CRMC Staff Present: Tracy Silvia

Reading of the Minutes of the previous meeting.

Bruce Dawson motioned approval of minutes from previous meeting. Motion seconded by Jerry Sahagian. Motion passed on unanimous approval. Minutes approved.

Applications which have been Out to Public Notice and are before the Dock Subcommittee for Decision:

Tracy A. Silvia/Thomas A. Medeiros

2005-10-023 Andrew & Cheryl Robertson – Narragansett

- Located at Great Island in Narragansett
- Three outhauls found below MHW.
 - do not belong to current owner
 - CRMC regulations in place at time of application do no address issue, but Director determined they were “unauthorized structures”. Newly passed outhaul regulations prohibit dock/outhaul on same property.
 - Current owner working with the town to remove the outhauls. Situation appeared to be resolved recently, however, some of the structural pieces still remain.
- Public Notice period ended on 11-12-2005 with no comments received.
- Received revised plans on 11-15-2005 depicting outhaul locations.
- Dock to extend 40’ past mlw.
- Water depth is 3’ at mlw.
- ACOE approved on 11/22/2005
- Lateral access adequate
- Due to Town mooring field location, entirety of cove is in mooring field, so variance to within 50’ is required. Town does not object.
 - Discussion about town mooring field.
- Stairs shown on plans which ACOE requested removal stipulation.
- Discussion on aluminum ramp in regards to CRMC Regulations. Tracy stated that timber is standard and a variance is required for other materials.

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- Neill Gray motioned, seconded by Jerry Sahagian, to approve dock conditional upon resolution (removal) of outhauls..
- Application approved on unanimous voice vote.

2006-04-088 Eric and Jennifer Kohlsatt – Narragansett

- Located on the Narrow River.
- Lateral access is 5'
- No wetland present
- ACOE approval with Cat 1
- Notice period ended June 1, 2006
- Water depth is 3' at MLW
- Dock requires a 3' length variance
- No objections received
- Bruce Dawson motioned, seconded by Neill Gray, for approval of application.
- Application approved on a unanimous voice vote.

2006-05-084 William and Patricia Fleming – Bristol

- Dock to be in very exposed area; proposing typical design for this location..
- Vertical seawall and riprap existing
- Lateral access is 5'
- Requires 25' length variance to get 3' of water at MLW
- Public Notice period ended June 23, 2006
- ACOE Category II approval
- No wetlands present
- Jerry Sahagian inquired about the length of other docks in area.
- Tracy stated all docks were similar in length.
- Neill Gray motioned, seconded by Bruce Dawson, for approval of application.
- Application approved on unanimous voice vote.

2005-05-017 Joseph & Laura Pehota – Narragansett

- Original dock application put dock right on top of two existing moorings. No Town mooring field in Cove, but pre-existing Town-authorized moorings.
- Sent in revised plans
- After months of discussion with neighbors, abutters signed off and agreed to remove moorings (pending their dock approval).
- Discussion on sign-offs.

- Application re-noticed; Public Notice period to ended June 15, 2006 with no objections received.
- Dock to be elevated over the wetland
- Water depth is 2-3' at MLW
- Lateral access adequate
- Applicant proposing one crib design which Tracy stated was typical for Point Judith Pond.
- Neill Gray motioned, seconded by Bruce Dawson, to approve application.
- Application approved on unanimous voice vote.

2005-10-045 Ronald Thompson & Stephen and Deborah Devaux – Narragansett

- Public Notice period ended June 15, 2006
- ACOE Category II approval on June 20, 2006.
- All sign-offs received after months of discussions/revisions with neighbor.
- Dock to extend 46' beyond MLW for water depth.
- Two cribs are proposed
- Both owners have easement agreement for the sharing of the residential boating facility.
- Joint Easement and Maintenance Agreement for both parties regarding ownership, use, and future maintenance/liability for structure submitted to CRMC, needs legal Counsel approval.
- Dock to be built on property line of two lots
- Property owners have legal agreement.
- Letters of no objection received from abutters
- Neil Gray motioned, seconded by Bruce Dawson, to approve application.
- Application approved on unanimous voice vote.

1995-07-132 Phillip Lucas – Barrington

- Took out fixed pier and put in floats without permit
- He came in and applied for As-Built work.
- As-Built application requires variance for float.
- Photos reviewed by Subcommittee members
- Lateral access not present at site but dock “Grandfathered” without lateral access and application is not changing fixed pier specs
- Dock to extend 5' further to a total of 35' beyond MLW
- Float is 19 square feet.
- Public Notice period ended June 11, 2006 with no comments received.
- ACOE Category I approval granted
- Water depth is 4' at MLW

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- Subcommittee agreed that because applicant came in to rectify As-Built situation they would not penalize applicant. Applicant is now familiar with CRMC policies and regulations.
- Bruce Dawson motioned, seconded by Jerry Sahagian, to approve application.
- Application approved on unanimous voice vote.

1988-05-016 Ronald Rodrigues – Bristol

- Huge revetment
- Has fixed pier which was “Grandfathered”.
- Wants to install 150 square foot float and six piles specifically Pearson pilings which are fiberglass piles as opposed to timber which is standard requiring a variance.
 - Discussion on the difference between Pearson Pilings and Timber pilings regarding the issue of “Permanence” and aesthetic value.
- Public Notice period ended June 16, 2006 with no comments received.
- Dock to extend 18’ beyond mean low water.
- Water depth is 2.5’ at MLW
- Received ACOE Category I approval
- No lateral access; dock pre-existing
- Bruce Dawson motioned, seconded by Neill Gray, approval of application.
- Motion carried on a unanimous voice vote.

1994-09-081 Nancy Gilbane – Barrington

- Modification of current permit
- Jerry Sahagian started discussion to send application to full Council because of the extensive size of the float.
- Original grandfather permit approved for 20’ x 10’ (200 square foot) float located 35’ beyond end of fixed pier.
- 2004 received approval for modification of access float to be 4’ wide and to change 200 square foot float to 2 smaller floats totaling 200 square feet..
- Applicant did not construct modifications to facility.
- New proposal is for a
 - 26’ x 6’ access ramp (already have an access ramp)
 - two 100 sq foot floats
- 2’ of water at MLW
- ACOE approval required; meeting July 13, 2006
- Dock to extend 75’ beyond MLW (no further out than last approved modification).
- Discussion on evaluating float

- Jerry Sahagian asks for Tracy Silvia's opinion on size of float
- Tracy Silvia states that float size appears excessive, is ~200' larger than standard.
- Neill Gray stated that first approval for 200 square foot float over the standard 150 square foot float. Now applicant is proposing a 356' square foot float which is considerably larger than 150 square foot standard.
- Subcommittee members review changes with Tracy Silvia
- Jerry Sahagian feels that the proposal should be sent to the full Council for their review, applicant can state case to Full Council.
- Bruce Dawson motions, seconded by Neill Gray, to refer application to Full Council for their review.
- Motion approved on unanimous voice vote.
- Tracy asks for guidance on format of staff report to full Council. Members indicate "not a denial," but defer to Council for consideration of applicant's variance request.

Jerry Sahagian stated, for the record, that he commended Tracy Silvia for the excellent job she does preparing her presentations for the Subcommittee. Mr. Sahagian stated that she is always well prepared and very adept at anticipating their questions.

Bruce Dawson motioned, seconded by Neill Gray, to adjourn meeting.
Meeting adjourned (9:45 a.m.)

Minutes recorded by Lisa A. Mattscheck, CRMC Office Manager.

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