

REGULAR MEETING #150
March 5, 2020
MINUTES

Commissioners Present: Matt Desfosses, Chair; Jody Ortiz, Vice Chair; Patricia Drax, Treasurer.
John Abbagnaro; Katharine Goodbody, Giovanni Zinn

Staff Present: Maggie Targove, Judith Sheiffele (by phone)

Public: Bill Gash, CMC; John Visconti, Auditor; Howard Blau, Linda Pinsky, Elizabeth Eynon

Chairman Desfosses called the meeting to order at 5:42 PM

MINUTES

1. Approval of Minutes of Regular Meeting #149 held February 6, 2020. Upon a motion by Commissioner Abbagnaro to approve minutes and seconded by Commissioner Drax, with noted edits on the Draft; a vote was taken, and the Minutes of the February 6, 2020 meeting were approved.

FINANCIAL REPORT

2. Balance Sheet and Profit Loss Statement for Periods Ending 1/31/20 were approved. February bank statements, except for STIF, were reviewed by the Treasurer and found to be in good order. Staff did not have access to bank statement for February STIF. Will submit to Commissioner Drax for review prior to April meeting.

UPDATES

3. Connecticut Maritime Coalition. Mr. Gash reported on the Shipping Conference to be held March 31 – April 2, 2020 and the May 19th CMC speakers' event at BOCA in Stamford. Jim Dillman scheduled to speak.

4. Connecticut Port Authority: No report

OLD BUSINESS

5. Single Audit: John Visconti, CPA, presented his findings, as required by the State of Connecticut, on the Feasibility study & Environmental Impact of the USACOE Navigational Study and found the financial requirements to be in good order and presented fairly and accurate. Statement of Net Assets are \$1.5 mil with \$436,391 left to be expended.

NEW BUSINESS

6. Authorization to approve BSW hourly increase of \$25.

7. A motion by, Katherine Goodbody, was made to keep the current slate of officers for one more year; Matt Desfosses, Chair; Jody Ortiz, Vice Chair; Patricia Drax, Treasurer; Chuck Mascola, Secretary. Motion was seconded by Giovanni Zinn and unanimously approved.

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR REPORT

8. Port Grant discussion centered around conducting a security assessment, CT Ave (in conjunction with other grants) and even artistic grants (Commissioner Ortiz will inquire).

9. EXECUTIVE SESSION: None

10. PUBLIC: Five members of the community were in attendance and interested in status of dredging project. Ms. Sheiffele joined by phone to give an update.

ADJOURNMENT: Commissioner Abbagnaro made a motion to adjourn and Commissioner Goodbody seconded that motion. Meeting was adjourned at 6:50pm