Special Meeting March 18, 2009
The Sound School regional Vocational Aquaculture Center

1. Welcoming remarks and introductions by CHMA President Dr. John Pinto.

2. Presentation on New Web-Based Technologies for Mooring Management by Fuss&
O'Neil Technologies - www.fandotech.com . Their online mooring system uses Google
Map to show mooring information based on GPS coordinates. It allows updates by permit
holders and shows mooring field boundaries. The cost is $5 per permit issued or renewed.
Permit fees can be paid online for a 3% credit card charge.

3. Overview of Issues raised at the November 2007 meeting by Geoff Steadman. These 4
issues were included in the Long Island Sound Assembly Report. (See their latest report –
for 2007 - at http://www.lisaweb.org/pdf/2007%20LISA%20Report.pdf

      A. DEP permitting process – The LEAN process is now in effect.

      B. Dredging – Norwalk and Old Saybrook projects are underway. $1,000,000 was
      provided to Norwalk by the State of Connecticut to compensate for DEP capping
      requirements being stricter than the ACOE. (See the Connecticut Maritime
      Commission March 2009 meeting minutes at
      http://www.ct.gov/dot/lib/dot/documents/dcmtc/m309.pdf for more information.)
      Joe Salvatore has been hired as the State Dredging Coordinator.
      The Dredged Material Management Plan (DMMP) completion date of 2012 may
      not be met. Comments and questions can be mailed to
      LISDMMP@usacoe.army.mil (Also see
      http://www.nae.usace.army.mil/projects/ri/LISDMMP/LIS%20DMMP%20Scopin
      g%20Mtg%20Public%20Notice%20-%20Final.pdf and
      http://www.nae.usace.army.mil/reg/index.htm for information.)

      C. Funds for Harbormaster – The boat tax revenue dollars distributed to the
      Towns are unchanged since 1978. DEP reports are still unavailable.

      D. Harbormaster Issues – Mike Griffin: Not much has changed since November
      2007. New Haven harbor now has no public marinas.

4. Harbor Management Breakout Session
      A. Discussion of the new LEAN permitting process. Norwalk is developing a
      requirements checklist and considering charging a fee for permit review. They are
      planning to amend their Harbor management Plan to implement these
      requirements.
      When there are disagreements with the DEP use your state representative to help
      push back and support your harbor management plan. Develop a relationship with
      the DEP analyst assigned to your town and Brian Thompson Director of Office of
      Long Island Sound Programs (OLISP). (See
      http://www.ct.gov/dep/cwp/view.asp?a=2690&q=322420&depNav_GID=1511#b

oating) HMC's can strengthen their dealings with the DEP by sharing their experiences (i.e. different rulings on lift dock applications).

Action item: CHMA to develop and share a sample HMC checklist.

B. Stratford's plan was adopted March 2009.

5. Harbormasters Breakout Session Report
HMs are not receiving the training they need – especially people new to the job. One solution could be to move responsibility for HMs from the DPT to the DEP who, hopefully, would be able and willing to fund training similar to Lake Patrol Officers. See http://www.ct.gov/dep/cwp/view.asp?a=2695&q=322624&depnav_gid=1649&pp=12&n=1 and Wikipedia http://www.scannewengland.net/wiki/index.php/Connecticut_DEP

Connecticut Lake Authorities

- Lake Authorities are essentially corporations formed by two or more towns which have within their territorial limits a body of state water and are authorized by CGS 7-151a.
- Lake Patrol Officers are appointed by the Commissioner of the DEP and are authorized to carry a baton, firearm, or both upon completion of the proper training. CGS 7-151b
- Lake Patrol Officers are supervised by the Environmental Conservation sergeant responsible for the area the lake is in.

Respectfully Submitted,
Louis Allyn, Secretary