

The West Haven Harbor Management Commission held a Public Hearing and Regular Meeting on Wednesday, February 3, 2016 in the Harriet North Room, 2nd Floor, City Hall, 355 Main Street, West Haven, CT at 6:30 P.M.

**PRESENT:** Commissioners McKeon, Flynn, Potter, Michael Pimer, Mark Paine, Public Works liaison, Planning and Development Commissioner Joe Riccio and Geoff Steadman, consultant.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES:** Commissioner made a motion to approve the November 6, 2015 meeting minutes, seconded by Commissioner Flynn and passed.

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Continued discussions on Harbor Management Plan Draft

Geoffrey Steadman distributed a project design and regulatory permitting for the boat launch as well as a cost estimate. Staff will contact legislators to acquire funds from the state's bonding commission. Mr. Steadman informed the DEEP about this project and that funds will be requested. Commissioners discussed public access boat ramp and the possibility of regulating a state boat ramp or for residents only. Other towns have state ramps and non-residents pay a different fee. Mr. Steadman stated there have been 225 responses to the survey and Mr. Riccio will check with staff to give it more visibility. A report written by Mr. Steadman for Recommendations for Implementing West Haven's Harbor Management Plan was distributed to the commissioners. He laid out responsibilities for city staff, federal and state agencies, this commission and private citizens. Base maps have been compiled of harbor management area and what areas this commission would be responsible for. He asked for feedback from the commissioners pointing out features that should be noted on the plan. The piers and beaches will be labeled on these maps. Once these maps are finalized, they will be put on the website.

**REPORTS OF STAFF AND COMMISSIONERS** – Commissioners discussed the disposal sites that are being closed and New York's objections to the Army Corp of Engineers.

**ADJOURNMENT:** 7:55 p.m.

Commissioner Potter made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Commissioner Flynn and passed.