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MEETING MINUTES OF HARBOR COMMISSION March 2, 2022

The West Haven Harbor Management Commission will hold a Regular Meeting on Wednesday, Wednesday, March 2, 2022 in the Harriet North Room, 2nd Floor, City Hall, 355 Main Street, West Haven, CT at 6:30 PM to consider the following:

PRESENT: Commissioners Flynn, McKeon, Harbormaster Pimer, Geoffrey Steadman, ZEO Stephen Hotchkiss

Also Present, Abdul Qadir, Steve Hotchkiss, and a civilian named Robin.

APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES: Meeting Minutes approved at 6:39, motion made by Commissioner Steadman, Commissioner Pimer seconded, all in favor.

Regular Meeting

Spring Street Culvert

Abdul Qadir informed the commissioners that the culvert on Spring Street is in a horrible state of disrepair, and could collapse at any time. There is another culvert, near Front Street, in a similar state of decrepitude, but it drains through the spring street culvert. The spring street culvert is 12 inches wide, and drains into the west river past the landfill. There is a 36 inch water main in the spring street culvert, which helps mitigate flooding, but not enough. As a result, flooding is frequent near Stiles. There is also frequently traffic on top of the culvert, meaning it breaking under one of them is likely and potentially disastrous.

Payne wants to emphasize they need to be helping the wetlands.

They are considering raising Beach Street, which would hopefully mitigate flooding. Abdul then clarified issues regarding how drainage would work for the commissioners. If there was flooding, and Beach Street didn't absorb it and flood, the water would flood through old field creek, which is fitted with a pipe to channel water. This would improve hydraulic capacity, increase bio diversity, and improve tidal flow. This project does all of that.

Mark Payne says no objection as long as DEEP signs off on it. Harbormaster Pimer seconds. All in favor.

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