



**TOWN OF OLD SAYBROOK
Harbor Management Commission**

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**HMC MEETING MINUTES
March 24, 2022 7:00 P.M.
VIRTUAL ZOOM MEETING**

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1. Call to Order

Chair Robert Murphy called the meeting to order at 7:20 p.m. after a number of technical difficulties had been resolved.

2. Roll Call

Present: Robert Murphy (remote), Chair; Paul Connolly, Secretary (remote); Lou Vinciguerra (remote); Rob Soden (remote); David Cole (remote) and Jennifer Donahue, Clerk (remote).

3. Discussion and Potential Recommendation for Deletion or Modification of Ordinance 209-10 Ferry Road

Waterfront Regulations Paragraph F: *"The face of the main dock shall be kept clear. Except for loading and unloading not to exceed one hour, this space is not available for dockage. It shall be available to transient craft or for safety during a storm. In such cases the time limit shall be 24 hours for transient craft, or the duration of the storm for those seeking safety. Vessels in violation are subject to removal and to storage at the owner's expense."*

Mr. Murphy reported that after a review by him and Mr. Cole it is recommended that the above-listed regulation be repealed in totality. The first step is for the HMC to make a recommendation to the Board of Selectmen to repeal the ordinance. This will require an in-person explanation, which Mr. Murphy volunteered to give. The Board of Selectman would then, if its members agree, make a recommendation to repeal the ordinance at a town meeting. Someone from the HMC would again need to be present to provide an explanation. The entire process could be over in about five weeks if all goes well.

Commissioners discussed the availability of sufficient moorings in North Cove to provide safe dockage during emergencies and all were in support of the repeal. Mr. Murphy made a motion that the HMC submit a recommendation to the Board of Selectmen to repeal Ordinance 209-10. Mr. Cole seconded the motion and it was so VOTED unanimously 5-0-0.

4. Adjournment

Mr. Cole made a motion to adjourn at 7:30 p.m. seconded by Mr. Connolly which was so VOTED unanimously 5-0-0. The next regular meeting is scheduled for Monday, April 18, 2022 at 7:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Jennifer Donahue
OSHMC Clerk