



## HARBOR DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES

December 2, 2011  
3:30 P.M.

### **Members Present**

Mayor Scott Lang  
Richie Canastra  
Davis Sullivan  
Brian Rothschild  
Ed Ilsley

### **Members Absent**

Davis Sullivan  
Patricia Lareau

#### **1. Roll Call and Declaration of Quorum**

Richie Canastra called the meeting to order at 3:30pm

#### **2. Reading and Approval of the Minutes from the November 10, 2011 Commission Meeting**

Motion to approve the minutes was accepted and placed on file.

#### **3. Correspondence**

#### **4. Unfinished Business**

##### **A. Offloading on HDC Docks – Survey and Analysis**

The HDC has been asked to survey industry to see if the fishermen are interested in offloading on Fisherman's Wharf. The HDC will survey industry and other fishing ports to see what common practices are. Richie Canastra noted that offloading areas are required to be enclosed.

##### **B. Fishing Vessels on HDC Managed Infrastructure - Update**

Kristin Decas provided an update on the moving of fishing vessels that are not currently fishing.

##### **C. Mooring Regulations – Storm Requirements**

There was a meeting with Susan Nilson and the Storm Mooring Subcommittee. Davis Sullivan commented on what happened during that meeting, and it was determined that the tackle was adequate, but the scope was an issue. Ed Ilsley suggested that we get informational package together for transient boaters to describe what the Hurricane Dike actually does.

##### **D. Worker's Compensation**

Kristin Decas noted that Longshoreman Insurance is covered in the Workman's Compensation quote. Ed Ilsley moved that the HDC immediately purchase the workman's compensation insurance. The motion was seconded, approved and placed on file

#### **5. New Business**

##### **A. Contract Ratifications**

##### **B. Rail Settlement – City Solicitor Update**

Irene Shall explained the history of the Brownfield parcel located adjacent to the Whales Tooth Parking Lot. Irene requested a vote authorizing the City of New Bedford to act as an agent of the HDC in the settlement agreement, and authorize the Mayor as Chair to sign any agreements. Additionally this will authorize the Irene to continue working on the HDC's behalf toward a settlement. Ed Ilsley moved to have the Mayor act as our agent, and allow the City Solicitor to continue with the settlement agreement. Ed Ilsley requested a detailed accounting of the matter, and Irene said she would provide that information. Ed Ilsley motioned again that the Mayor and the City of New Bedford act as an agent of the HDC and allow the City Solicitor to move forward with the settlement. Motion was seconded, approved and placed on file.

C. Winter Mooring Usage

Kristin recommended that the Subcommittee on Storm Moorings take on the question of winter moorings in New Bedford Harbor. Ed Ilsley suggested that people that do want to extend their moorings be charged. Motion to table this item until the Subcommittee meets. Motion was seconded and approved.

**6. Reports:**

A. Reading and Acceptance of Executive Director's/Maintenance Report

The motion was received and placed on file.

B. Reading and Acceptance of Financial Manager/Treasurer's Report

The motion was received and placed on file.

C. Presentation of Year-end Report

Kristin Decas and Mayor Lang went over the first ever Year-End Report.

**7. Executive Session**

**8. Adjournment**

Motion to adjourn was accepted.

**Next Meeting Date: January 12, 2012**

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