

**Narragansett Harbor Commission
25 Fifth Avenue Narragansett,
Rhode Island 02882**

February 5, 2019 Meeting Minutes



CALL TO ORDER: 7:00 PM Chairman Cataldo presiding

ATTENDANCE: H. Cataldo / R. Morrocco / J. Sabo / T. Hoxsie
J. Hart / J. Thompson

Consent Agenda:

Minutes - January meeting minutes were reviewed.

Harbor Master Report – The Harbormaster report was reviewed.

Correspondence: None

A motion was made to accept Consent Agenda. J. Hart/ R. Morrocco, 5-0 all in favor.

Open Forum: None

New Business:

2019 Election of Officers - H. Cataldo – Chairman, B.Couture – Vice Chairman, J.Hart – Secretary

Annual Report letter to Town Council – Harvey read the annual report letter he drafted.
A motion was made to except/approve letter. J.Thompson/T. Hoxsie 5-0 all in favor

Oyster Farm Modification – CRMC File 2014-04-106, Jonathan Island Oyster Company.

The Jonathan Island Oyster Farm modification was discussed in detail. The board had the following Concerns with the modification request.

- The proposed floating gear would cause a public safety and navigational hazard impacting navigation by power boats, canoes and kayaks that utilize this area. This area is a main route used by boaters to avoid using the Coast Guard marked channel and the waters in South Kingstown which are 5mph maximum boat speed.
- The original lease states that submerged gear would not impede normal navigation, kayaking and canoeing and there would be no scenic impact to the area. The modification request is in total conflict with the original approval of the lease.

- It is with great concern that precedence will be set with this request. If the oyster farms surrounding Jonathan Island Oyster farm are granted the same request for floating gear, safe navigation through this area will be difficult at best.

A motion was made to send an objection letter to CRMC. J. Thompson/R. Morrocco 3-0 all in favor. T.Hoxsie recused H.Cataldo abstained.

Old Business: None

Motion to adjourn – J.Hart/T.Hoxsie 5-0 all in favor. 8:30pm.