

**NORWALK HARBOR MANAGEMENT COMMISSION  
APPLICATION REVIEW COMMITTEE  
JULY 26, 2017**

**ATTENDANCE:** John Pinto, Chair; John Romano; Tony Mobilia

**STAFF:** Geoff Steadman, Consultant

**CALL TO ORDER**

Dr. Pinto called the meeting to order at 6:34 p. m.

**APPLICATONS**

**1. 43 Yarmouth Road, Rowayton. Application. The applicant, Stephen Hafner proposes to construct a 4' by 4' by 2' tall concrete landing, a 3' by 36' aluminum ramp, a 4' by 6' timber ramp landing float, a 6.25' by 16' timber floating dock, and a two-piling timber tieoff dolphin. The floating dock will be anchored by two timber pilings and will include a swim ladder. The ramp, floating docks and pilings will be brought to the site by barge and assembled. Pilings will be driven by a derrick using vibratory or impact hammer. Deteriorated timbers will be placed on the barge and disposed of at the contractor's yard upon demobilization. Total area of structures beyond the mean high water line is approximately 213 square feet. Total waterward encroachment of structures beyond the mean high water line is approximately 38'.**

Dr. Pinto stated that the applicant's did not have the plans stamped by an engineer or land surveyor. He stated that the plans show the proposed dock structure to be 16 feet from the swing radius of a mooring, but there is no indication of how the dimension was determined. Dr. Pinto stated that the applicant does not indicate the size of the vessel anticipated to use the proposed dock structure or the maximum size vessel that may use the dock. He stated that any work vessels and waterborne equipment that may be required to construct the dock shall be located at the direction of the Harbor Master.

**2. Eversource Energy. Discussion of pre-application for need and placement of marker buoys for underwater cables from Manressa to North Shore power station. Eversource staff will review Underwater Cable location and means to prevent and/or avoid further structural damage.**

Ms. Marsha Wellman and Mr. Jonathan Alvarez came forward in favor of the item. Ms. Wellman stated that in 1969, Eversource installed seven cables between Norwalk and Northport, Long Island. The cables are energized at 138,000 volts. In 2002, Eversource removed and replaced three cables that were filled with fluid. She stated that Eversource is required to monitor the condition of the cables. Recent inspections have shown evidence of strikes close to the cables which potentially could have damaged the cables. Mr. Alvarez provided a map of where six buoys will be placed.

**3. Discussion of pursuing a feasibility study. The study will involve the Western Connecticut Council of Governments (WestCOG) and surrounding western LIS towns to investigate nontraditional dredging alternatives and use of suitable dredge spoils for coastal erosion control and barrier island**

**nourishment.**

Mr. Tony D'Andrea came forward in favor of the item. He stated that he is wants to develop a feasibility study or pilot project to evaluate the feasibility of nontraditional use of dredged material to advance the alternatives for beneficial use of dredged material identified in western Long Island Sound, including the areas of Norwalk Harbor and Stamford Harbor.

Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 7:30 p. m.

Respectfully submitted,

Tom Blaney  
Telesco Secretarial Services