Minutes of the Meeting of the Board of Commissioners Fishers Island Ferry District September 23, 2013

A Meeting of the Board of Commissioners of the Fishers Island Ferry District (the "Ferry District") was called to order on September 23, 2013 at 9:05 am by Commissioner Edwards at the Fishers Island Community Center.

Present were Commissioners Edwards, Rafferty and Rugg. Also present were Manager Don Lamb, Assistant Manager Gordon Murphy, Jane Ahrens and one member of the public.

Mr. Lamb asked Commissioner Edwards to chair the meeting. Commissioner Edwards opened the meeting and declared a quorum present. Everyone in attendance pledged allegiance to the flag.

Public Comment:

None

Correspondence:

Mr. Lamb shared a letter from Carol Hirschfield regarding an accident with her car on the ferry. Mr. Lamb will be in touch with her regarding the second repair estimate as the initial estimate was high.

Review of Meetings and Minutes:

Minutes of the meeting held on August 16, 2013 were approved.

MOVED by: Commissioner Rugg SECONDED by: Commissioner Rafferty AYES: All NAYES: None

Minutes of the meeting held on August 26, 2013 were approved.

MOVED by: Commissioner Rafferty SECONDED by: Commissioner Rugg AYES: All NAYES: None

Minutes of the meeting held on September 3, 2013 were approved as amended.

MOVED by: Commissioner Rafferty SECONDED by: Commissioner Rugg AYES: All NAYES: None

Warrants:

A list of outstanding obligations of the Ferry District was received and discussed. All invoices were declared to abide by Procurement Policy. At the conclusion of the discussion, a resolution was made to pay the outstanding obligation totaling \$71,669.90.

MOVED by: Commissioner Rafferty SECONDED by: Commissioner Rugg AYES: All NAYES: None

Manager's Report

1. HR: Held over for Executive Session.

2. Finance and Traffic:

Mr. Lamb reported the Balance Sheet as of September 19, 2013 shows income up.

The payroll budgeting is on target and there is an increase in ferry operations as expected.

Comparing 2012 to 2013 Memorial Day to Labor Day, traffic is up 105 cars in 2013. A discussion followed including considerations on car traffic activity including: passengers making alternative arrangements including leaving a car in the New London lot and walking on; chartering boats to come over and taking the ferry back (a two-way ticket system would alleviate this); encourage ferry use.

The ferry schedule tries to accommodate the train schedules, but currently there is track work in New Haven, and many have been delayed arriving in New London.

Jim Traub is working on reports including cars left behind and the cause of late boats. A review of the Souls on Board report will be made comparing 2012 to the same time period in 2013.

3. Fifth Commissioner Seat Opening

Held over for Executive Session.

Executive Session:

ENTERING EXECUTIVE SESSION: At 9:37 am the following resolution was proposed:

The Board of Commissioners, RESOLVED, that the meeting be adjourned into Executive Session for the purpose of discussing employment history of certain employees and litigation.

Proposed by Commissioner Rugg Seconded by Commissioner Rafferty AYES: All NAYS: None

Exiting Executive Session:

At 11:13 am the following resolution was proposed:

RESOLVED, that the Commission exit from Executive Session and resume Public Session. Proposed by Commissioner Rugg

Seconded by Commissioner Rafferty AYES: All NAYS: None

RESOLVED, that Chris Edwards be and is hereby elected Chairman of the District effective immediately. MOVED by Commissioner Rugg SECONDED by Commissioner Rafferty Ayes: Two Abstain: One Nays: None

WHEREAS, the Fishers Island Ferry District requires the services of Clerks to manage reservations at the Fishers Island terminal.

Now, therefore, be it resolved, that Darcy Scroxton is hereby appointed to the position of part time Clerk at a rate of \$10.30 per hour to commence on 19 September 2013. MOVED by Commissioner Rugg SECONDED by Commissioner Rafferty Ayes: All Nays: None

Motion to rescind the August 6, 2013 resolution approving Jon Hiller's resignation and to approve Mr. Hiller's reclassification to a part-time call-in deckhand with effect 11 August 2013 with a pay rate of \$14.00 per hour.

MOVED by Commissioner Rugg SECONDED by Commissioner Rafferty Ayes: All Nays: None

Motion to approve the voluntary resignation with effect 30 September 2013 of Emily Peabody.

MOVED by Commissioner Rugg SECONDED by Commissioner Rafferty Ayes: All Nays: None

Now, therefore, be it resolved, that Veronica Kaprolov is hereby appointed to the position of part time Clerk at a rate of \$10.30 per hour to commence on 16 September 2013 and terminate at the end of business 30 September 2013.

MOVED by Commissioner Rugg SECONDED by Commissioner Rafferty Ayes: All Nays: None

WHEREAS, the Fishers Island Ferry District requires the services of Deckhands to man the maritime operations.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that James Weaver is hereby appointed to the position of part time Deckhand at a rate of \$10.30 per hour to commence on 9 September 2013.

MOVED by Commissioner Rugg SECONDED by Commissioner Rafferty Ayes: All Nays: None

Now, therefore, be it resolved, that Christopher Newell is hereby appointed to the position of part time Deckhand at a rate of \$10.30 per hour to commence on 9 September 2013.

MOVED by Commissioner Rugg SECONDED by Commissioner Rafferty Ayes: All Nays: None

Resolved, that Resolution 4 of the Meeting of the Board of Commissioners of the Fishers Island Ferry District on July 24, 2012 is hereby rescinded.

It is further resolved that the Board accepts Craig A. Gilbert's resignation effective July 24, 2012.

MOVED by Commissioner Rugg SECONDED by Commissioner Rafferty Ayes: All Nays: None

Budget Appropriation:

RESOLVED at the September 23, 2013 meeting that the Commissioners of the Fishers Island Ferry District hereby amend the 2013 Fishers Island Ferry District budget as follows:

Decrease Appropriations SM.9050.8.000.000 Total	Unemployment Benefits \$ 1,000	<u>1,000</u>
Increase Appropriations SM.7155.4.000.000 Total	Theater \$1,000	<u>\$1,000</u>

MOVED by Commissioner Rugg SECONDED by Commissioner Rafferty Ayes: All Nays: None

The next scheduled meeting begins at 4:30 pm October 7, 2013 at the Fishers Island Community Center.

It is anticipated that the Ferry District will be asked to give a short report at the ICB Meeting Columbus Day weekend. Mr. Lamb will give the report.

Meeting Adjournment:

There being no further business to discuss, and on motion made by Commissioner Rugg, seconded by Commissioner Rafferty, and unanimously adopted, the meeting was adjourned at 11:20 am.