Stamford Harbor Master's Report 11/17/2015

- Moorings. Old Greenwich Marine have already winterized many of the moorings.
 - Yale and I will be cataloging moorings that are not winterized / serviced to ensure serviceability next season.
 - o I have started to receive renewal applications/variation requests for 2016.
 - o I would like to thank both Old Greenwich Marine and Kedd at the Stamford Yacht Club for help sorting out various mooring issues during this past season.
- The Sadik Khan / Ford North. Injunction hearing December 10-11th. HM may be required to give evidence.
- **Harbor Activity.** Although many boats have already been removed from the water and winterized, the city marinas remain open until November 29th. There is still a notable amount of recreational activity in the harbor.
- **Temporary boat yard fuel dock.** Despite 'closing' early last month (which I reported have previously reported), the fuel dock has been manned and open at weekends. If this was a result of either my comments or customer needs it should be seen as a positive and welcome response.
- **Harbor Commission boat, winter readiness.** New enclosure now fitted and working well. (We've also handwashed the boat with soap and water!).
 - The Police boats have been re-marked to identify them as Police units. The reflective striping was removed and replaced with simple lettering "Police" and 'City of Stamford'. This gives a very professional appearance.
 - o I ask the commission's approval for a similar update of the commission's boat to display 'Harbor Master' and 'City of Stamford'. I understand this can be done by city operations department at minimal cost.
 - o The result would be a uniform appearance for city assets while clearly distinguishing use and purpose.
- **Harbor Debris season arrives.** During the past month, debris build-up has begun around the harbor. Among notable items recovered;
 - 50' long section of derelict dock floating in west branch (by DHM),
 - o a large section of wood capable of damaging or disabling a reasonable sized boat (by Sgt. Monck)
 - o 11/10-11/2015 Sgt. Monck dealt with a report of a very large piling adrift in east branch. We had received several calls on this over a couple of days. We have limited facilities to deal with this type of debris.
- Zoning Board. On 11/10/2015 I made a brief appearance before the Zoning Board and made a further presentation regarding potential risks concerning the proposed boatyard docks in the west branch. I would like to thank Commissioner Karp for standing ready to present on my behalf as the logistics of my attendance were in doubt until ½ an hour after the meeting started.
- **Deputy Harbor Master.** Over the past couple of months my profile has become very public. I would like to recognize that during this time, my Deputy has been actively afloat maintaining a visible presence, dealing with whatever needs doing without fanfare or public appreciation.

Total expenses remaining outstanding are; fuel
\$ 0.00

Stamford 421 equipment/refit \$2416.50 (since 10/30/2015)

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Respectfully submitted

Captain Eric Knott Harbor Master

Captain Yale Greenman Deputy Harbor Master