Stamford Harbor Master's Report 11/15/2016

Moorings.

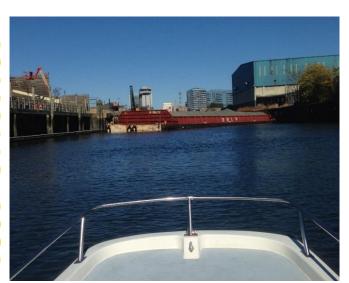
• Renewals are now more or less complete. Mooring status (as of 11/14/2016);

0	Approved	-	74	0	Held inactive for 2016 season	-	06
0	Awaiting inspection	-	04	0	Not being renewed	-	11
0	Under review	-	05	0	Revoked	-	01
0	EXPIRED Renewal not received	-	06				

- The Ford North shell fish lease mooring issue was again before a Judge on November 9th and is scheduled for a further court date in the New Year.
- Reminders for 2017 permits will start going out to 2016 permittees in early January by e-mail.
- Old Greenwich Marine have removed 2 unpermitted moorings at my request. This is in accordance with your specific approval given at the Commissions meeting of 7/19/2016 to remove up to 4 unpermitted moorings.

Harbor Activity

- 11/23/16. Mid-morning, I observed a fully laden Buchannan gravel barge broken free from the dock at the top end of the east branch. The tide was falling but winds were west 25 knots gusting to 40 knot. Buchannan dispatch was contacted and they arranged for dock workers to attend (90 minutes to get there) and get lines on the barge. A shallow draft tug was also tasked to properly and safely reposition the barge.
- With the season fast winding down, there is still a notable amount of on-the-water activity. There have been a number of 'distress calls' during the month.
 The Fire Department boat has responded to several.
 All have had a successful outcome.



 On 11/09/2016 I attended a dinner with the New York area Corinthians YC and made a presentation regarding boating etiquette and general pollution in and around Stamford harbor.

11/14/2016 A 39' motor yacht transiting from Stamford Norwalk to (dock'n'dine) started taking on water south of Shippan Point. The 12 persons onboard were all safely rescued but as the boat was being towed, it sank close to and south of Shippan. The boat had a capacity of 350 gallons US of fuel (gas or diesel) and a 50 Gallon US holding tank. I understand that the USCG



are liaising with the vessels insurers regarding salvage and response to any possible pollution. Sgt. Monck may have further information.

• USCG-A have informed me that their *water-borne asset* (the boat) is now out of the water for the winter due to policy regarding cold water operation. They have offered manpower should the need arise in or around the harbor. I offered our gratitude for their efforts and actions over the past season.

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• I have been notified of a hurricane barrier closure from 06:00 on 11/15/2016 to approximately 19:00 on 11/16/2016. This is for routine annual inspection and maintenance.

Garbage and Debris

- City Operations Department have sought and obtained quotations for the removal of the derelict floating docks inside of the Hurricane barrier. The removal is slow but moving in the right direction. My thanks to all involved.
- No appreciable change to visible debris from last month.

Expenses outstanding

- Frank Fedele and I have almost completed the process for setting up the required accounts and authorities. I very much appreciate his efforts and everything seems to be functioning as it should.
- Please let me know if and when an estimated Harbor Master budget is needed for fiscal year 2017.

Respectfully submitted

Captain Eric Knott State Harbor Master

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