



Town of South Kingstown Waterfront Advisory Commission

Regular Session Meeting Minutes
Thursday, June 4, 2026 at 7:00 PM
The Neighborhood Guild
325 Columbia St., Peace Dale, RI
www.southkingstownri.gov

Michael Sherry, Chairman
Connor Duckworth
Samuel Grimley
Barry Gross
Sara Mariani
Nathaniel Merrill
Joseph Nuzzolillo

A. Call to Order & Roll Call

Meeting called to order at 7:05pm.

B. Gross, S. Mariani, N. Merrill Absent

B. Approval of Minutes:

May 7, 2026

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C. Correspondence & Public Comment:

1. CRMC Public Notice for Application Pending

File#: [2001-02-025 \(Modification\)](#)

Application Name: Cedar Island Oyster Co

City/Town: Narragansett

Description: Add seven horizontal floating lines of low-profile baskets for the cultivation of eastern oysters within the existing bottom gear lease.

In Narragansett. Provided as information. Modification to initial application based on feedback to the applicant from Narragansett Harbor Commission.

2. Narragansett Harbor Commission Agenda / Minutes

no discussion

D. Old Business:

1. Harbor Management Plan Update

M. Stach provided an update that the Solicitors Office is speaking with DEM about the request for items outside their scope of responsibility and where the process goes moving forward.

2. Development of Online GIS Based Map Showing South Kingstown Rights of Way to Shore

Tracey Owens, Principle Planner, has begun working on this in her new role and will provide updates to the Commission as they become available.

3. Public Right-of Way Access at Locations 10 and 11. Re: Boats and Waterways Ordinance 4-14: Rights-of-Way to the Water – Boat Storage

- PA Site 10: Washington Street, Location: Matunuck, Water Area: Segar Cove, Assessor's Plat: 87-4, Recorded Plat: LE34 / 78
- PA Site 11: Lake Avenue, Location: Matunuck, Water Area: Segar Cove, Assessor's Plat: 87-4, Recorded Plats: LE33 / 416, PB6 / 436, and PB7 / 487

M. Stach provided an update that the site improvements at Lake Ave ROW have been completed and kayak rack permits have been issued. Initial assignments all went to mooring holders in Segar Cove. Awaiting the Washington St permits to be issued. Lots of interest in the rack.

4. Boats and Waterways Ordinance Revisions / Updates

Members will work on this item as time permits.

5. Coastal Road and Public Right-of Way to the Water Survey and Monumentation; Charlestown Beach Road Survey Status

Waiting for other departments to complete their signoff on the bid package.

6. Expansion of Parking Lot at Marina Park West Lot to Accommodate Increased Seasonal Activity

Work on the expansion has been completed. Public Services to design a parking space layout and Parks Department will paint parking space lines. Barrier to divide trailer parking from other parking area to be worked on going forward.

7. Marina Park / Town Farm Park Master Plan w/Connectivity to Downtown Wakefield

First installment of funding will be available July 1, 2026. Will look into possibly starting the process with the initial funding.

8. Formerly Leased Waterfront Area Along Saugatucket River Adjacent to Marina Park Green Space — Returning to Town Operations July 1, 2027

Members will begin to discuss recommendations for plan going forward.

9. Development of Indian Lake Management Plan (June 25, 2026 6:30pm Public Meeting at Town Hall)

Public meeting set for June 25, 2026.

10. Planned Development of a Saugatucket River Watershed Plan by RIDEM

No new updates. RIDEM vendor working on development of the document.

11. Hydrilla

Herbicide treatments will resume at Indian Lake under the grant funding the Town received. Worden Pond Friends group is looking for membership.

12. Reconstruction of RIDEM Narrow River Boat Ramp @ Mitchell and Pollock Ave

No new updates.

E. New Business:

1. **CRMC Public Notice for Application Pending**

File#: [2026-03-024](#)

Application Name: Potter Pond Condominium Association

City/Town: South Kingstown

Description: Construct and maintain a shared residential boating facility with access ramp, fixed pier, ramp, and terminal float.

A lot with two homes was divided and a condo association created. The applicant seeks to build a dock for both homes. Questions voiced by members on setback requirements for adjacent lots for docks since the dock is close to the lot to the east (6ft).

No objection to application as presented.

2. **CRMC Public Notice for Application Pending**

File#: [1995-11-081 \(Modification\)](#)

Application Name: Dennis R. Purinton Revoc. Trust, Gayle A. Purinton Revoc. Trust

City/Town: South Kingstown

Description: Authorize as-built landing and new fixed pier to existing grandfather residential boating facility; remove western-most section of grandfathered fixed pier and remove unauthorized and prohibited access ramp within coastal wetland.

No objection to application as presented.

F. Harbormaster's Report:

1. Update on New Patrol/Response Boat Construction by SAFE Boats International.
Delivered and in service.

M. Stach provided an update on the new boat which just had it's 20-hour service. Jet Dock installation was completed today. Boat and Jet Dock are in service in the new slip at Ram Point.

2. Jet Dock Installation

Completed to

3. Status Update on New Slip Assignment for New Patrol/Response Boat at Ram Point Marina

Boat and Jet Dock are in the new slip.

4. 2026 Mooring Renewals

The deadline for renewal was June 1. Some accounts are still outstanding. Late fee assessed on outstanding accounts.

G. Next Meeting:

August 6, 2026

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H. Adjournment:

Motion to adjourn at 7:53pm.