

Massachusetts Harbormaster Training Council

April 27, 2023

Zoom Virtual Platform

**MEETING MINUTES**

Call to Order – Meeting Chairman @ 1302

Roll Call of members : Jason Holm ©; Charlie Blair; Chad Hunter; Bill McHugh; John Melander; Rosemary Lesch, Chris Bailey; Rob Akin @ 1313; Bob Gillan @1314

Approval of Minutes

March 30, 2023 Meeting Minutes – Approval: M – McHugh / S – Hunter / C – (Melander, Bailey, Lesch, Holm)

Waiver/Exemption Applications

**Don German** - Provincetown; 270 Day Waiver. Mr. German addressed quorum on professional experience.

M - McHugh / S – Lesch / C- Unanimous

**Jonathan Hubbard** – Town of Ipswich; Council to send letter verifying exemption based on appointment date, (5/15/2006).

M – McHugh / S – Lesch / C – (Blair, Hunter, McHugh, Lesch, Bailey, Akin, Melander, Gillan)

**Emily De Bettencourt** – Oaks Bluff Marina; 270 Day Waiver

M – Blair / S – Lesch / C - Unanimous

Old Business

- 1 501 CMR 16.00: Working Group Update: No update due to conflicting schedules of subcommittee, (Melander, Holm, McHugh).
- 2 L/E Academy update: Chair advises that group that recently graduated the Harbormaster LE Academy requested a Harbormaster Captains course for USCG licensing prep/exam.
- 3 3<sup>rd</sup> Element training update: Chair advises that the Initiative to deliver content is on-going.

New Business

- 1 Waiver and Exemption From: Chair advises that language on the form differs from statute, including the completion of “In Service Training” and the intent on exempt Harbormasters. Hunter speaks regarding appointments prior to 2009, (exempt) and a perceived break in training. A discussion ensued while reviewing the provisions of the statute (s) pertaining to Harbormasters via screen share. Melander offers to perform a more comprehensive research. Chair advises on the incorporation of a list of training requirements necessary for certification, and if a waiver/exemption application should include training already completed. Chair to draft a new document for future consideration.

- 2 Chair advises that the Cape and Islands endeavor to offer a pre-season all-encompassing training session. Akin advises on several training opportunities offered through CHAMP and a possible BUI course on the North Shore.
- 3 Chief Ferullo joins and advises on two courses from the Harbormaster 3<sup>rd</sup> element that his team was able to capture from a computer. He is currently attempting to unlock the content.

Public Comment

None

Next Meeting

May 25, 2023 @ 1300

Adjournment

M- McHugh / S – Bailey / C – Unanimous @ 1339