

**STATE OF CONNECTICUT
PORT AUTHORITY WORKING GROUP
Thursday, February 5, 2015 9:00 AM – 10:00 AM
Connecticut Department of Transportation
2800 Berlin Turnpike, Newington, CT**

Attendance: Commissioner James Redeker (Co-Chair), Commissioner Catherine Smith (Co-Chair), Kevin Cavanagh, Pamela Elkow, Garrett Eucalitto, Bill Gash, Stan Mickus, David Pohorylo, Joseph Riccio, Sarah Sanders, Thomas Santa, Tony Sheridan, Geoffrey Steadman, Brian Thompson, Parker Wise

Guests: Charles Beck, Tammy Daugherty, Ned Farman, Don Frost, Zack Hyde, Karla Lindquist, TJ Magnoli, Joe Salvatore, Tim Sullivan

Meeting commenced at 9:05 AM.

Minutes:

1.) Introductions and Welcome by Co-Chairs

2.) Discussion of Harbormasters by Brian Thompson and Geoffrey Steadman

- Harbormasters are currently appointed by Governor, paid small stipend administered by DOT, work at local level, deal with moorings and abandoned vessels
 - 40 CT harbormasters currently
- Subgroup to report back in 10 days after speaking with harbormasters and municipalities about best allocation of state functions/responsibilities
- Harbormasters not recommended to be housed in Connecticut Port Authority, likely to be recommended to be housed at another state agency or to have oversight delegated to municipal level

3.) Discussion of Pilot Licensing by Bill Gash

- 6 pilots in CT currently, share a 70/30 rotation with New York, CT pilots take 70% of work that comes into Long Island Sound
- Pilot Commission submits recommendation to PAWG that Commission be independent agency that reports to CPA and regulates itself
- PAWG members split on whether Pilot Commission should be self-regulating or whether CPA should have regulatory authority and be advised by the Pilot Commission, as DOT is today
- Regulations governing pilots also need to be revisited and likely revised

4.) Discussion of Draft Executive Director Job Description by Bill Gash and David Pohorylo

- Discussion around pay scale for position
- Language to be revised and to include environmental stewardship, port security, interfacing with public, further emphasis on marketing

5.) Discussion of Draft Report to the Governor and CGA

- Discussion about including more information about new potential revenue streams
- Add local Port Authorities in section on Situation Assessment
- To review Maritime Commission duties to include in recommendations for CPA
- Report is due by March 1
- New draft to be circulated by February 13th – interim comments welcome to tim.sullivan@ct.gov

6.) Letter of Support

- Letter of support of report circulated and signed with understanding that signature can be revoked should final report contain changes with which members do not agree

Meeting adjourned at 10:25 AM.