

Meeting with Harbor Master, 31 January 2022

Mr. Stephen Land, Newport Harbor Master
Sara Mariani, Newport Harbor Master office
Kim Lyons, Commodore CHNYC
Charles Jenison, Treasurer CHNYC

Bottom line: Private Yacht Club mooring permits will be issued for three CHNYC moorings. The annual permit cost is \$275.00 for each of the two 500lb moorings and \$412.50 for the 1000lb mooring. Documents including our 501(c)(3) certificate, maintenance and 3-year inspection reports, and permit applications will be on file at the Newport Harbor Master office.

Background: this meeting was a follow-up to our 8 November 2021 meeting.

The Newport Harbor Master identified three harbors for moorings: North Coastal, Inner, South Coastal. The CHNYC moorings are in the North Coastal Harbor. The Harbor Master believes the city will build a North Coastal Harbor marina on the old Naval Hospital property. The CHNYC permitted moorings will remain at or near their current locations.

The Harbor Master developed a new naming system for the permitted moorings in the North Coastal Harbor. The CHNYC moorings are identified as follows.

1. NC1 – 500lb mushroom anchor
2. NC2 – 500lb DorMor anchor
3. NC3 – 1000lb mushroom anchor

The CHNYC Moorings fall under a new class: Private Yacht Club moorings. Private Yacht Moorings do not require that one boat be maintained on the mooring. A compliance sticker may be issued, and it will be kept on file. Rental fees can not be charged for this type of mooring; however, a “maintenance” fee may be assessed for mooring reservations. A request will need to be submitted to the Harbor Master requesting permission to collect fees. CHNYC may be able to have the moorings reclassified as Commercial Moorings in the future. This classification would come at an increased annual fee of \$700.00 each for the 500lb moorings and \$1050 for the 1000lb mooring.

The Harbor Master will keep the following documents on file in support of the CHNYC permits.

1. 501(c)(3) certification that lists the Newport RI address, and board members and their contact information
2. State Permit Applications
3. Annual maintenance logs including triennial safety inspections (provided by Monarch Marine)

Harbor Master services will be provided for the moorings. Members or guests of members may hail the Harbor Master via VHF Channel 16 for emergencies. The Harbor Master recommended that we note this information on the mooring application and provide a link to the City of Newport dinghy dock map.

The Harbor Master also recommended that we increase the weight of the moorings when replacement is required. CHNYC is not limited to a one-time upgrade as noted at the November meeting.

Due outs

Submit a copy of the 501(c)(3) certificate – Charles Jenison

Maintenance and 3-year inspection reports - on file from Monarch Marine

Proposal for assessing fees for mooring reservations – Anne Mitchell, Charles Jenison, Kim Lyons