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From: Old Lyme Harbor Management Commission (OLHMC)
To: Prospective 2023 Old Lyme Mooring Holders
Subject: 2023 Communication #1 - Upcoming Changes to the Mooring Permit Process

This message is to provide key information about upcoming changes to, and important reminders about, the 2023 Mooring permit process in Old Lyme. The HMC plans to begin accepting applications after 1 March –Permit holders from last season will receive a direct renewal link via email. Please do not submit any new Mooring applications until further notice.

- **<NEW>** Yearly permit fees for a private mooring will increase to **\$75.00**
- **<NEW>** Yearly permit fees for commercial moorings will increase to **\$100.00**
- **<NEW>** On a first come, first served basis, Boaters who hold a mooring permit in District 1 will be eligible for a reserved space on the Pilgrim's Landing Dinghy rack. Six (6) such dinghy and six (6) kayak spaces will be available, **at no additional charge**. All other use of the Dinghy rack(s) will be on a space-available basis.
- **<NEW>** On a first come, first served basis, permits for reserved space on the Pilgrim's Landing Kayak rack will be available for **\$25.00**. Fifteen (15) such spaces will be available. All other use of the Kayak rack(s) will be on a space-available basis. Kayak users are strongly encouraged to use the **If Found** stickers available from DEEP or at the Old Lyme Town Hall.
- All Mooring application and inspection forms will continue to be completed on-line. To minimize delays, it is recommended that applications be submitted prior to **1 May**.
- All system generated communications will continue to be sent via email/available on-line
- An option will be offered for on-line payments, via a secure payment processor. Online payments will include a credit card surcharge fee of 3.75% + \$0.30 process fee (a total of **\$78.11** for a typical private mooring). Alternate payment forms will still be accepted.
- As discussed at the end of last season, there will be increased scrutiny as to the permit status for all moorings set in Old Lyme waters. **All boaters are reminded that moorings which do not meet Town standards for permit issuance, identification, construction and location will be subject to enforcement escalation, up to and including removal of the tackle by the Harbormaster.** Tackle providers will be made aware of these updated rules. Refer to the Harbor Management page on the Town Website for additional information.

Please stay tuned for additional information. Should you have any questions, please reach out to me via e-mail (HMC Moorings@oldlyme-ct.gov)

Regards

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