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Shellfish Committee Minutes of the Meeting
DATE: October 17, 2018
TIME: 7:05 P.M. to 8:56 P.M.
LOCATION: Senior Center, 825 Falmouth Road, Hyannis

Shellfish Committee Members present: Chairman: Stuart Rapp, Paul Caruso, Chris Freeman, Al Surprenant, Patricia Farinha and Robert Lancaster

Shellfish Committee Members absent: Jacob Angelo, Bill Shumway

General Public present:

Town Council Liaison not present: Phil Wallace

Town Staff present: Tom Marcotti, Amy Croteau, Terri McDonald, Elizabeth Lewis

Stuart Rapp chaired the October 17, 2018 meeting of the Shellfish Committee. Stuart Rapp took a roll call of members present at the meeting. Stuart Rapp read a notice at the beginning of the meeting:
NOTICE OF RECORDING "Please note that tonight's meeting is recorded and broadcast on Channel 18 and, in accordance with MGL Chapter 30A, s. 20, I must inquire whether anyone is taping this meeting and to please make their presence known."

1. Meeting Minutes:

The Shellfish Committee unanimously approved a Motion made by Al Surprenant to amend the minutes as follows:

1. Meeting Minutes:

The Shellfish Committee unanimously approved a Motion made by Paul Caruso and seconded by Chris Freeman to recommend approval of the August 15, 2018 Meeting Minutes as written.

7. Matters not reasonably anticipated by the Chair

John brought up the issue of not opening Bay Street Recreational Area up for commercial fisherman after January 1st as has been done in the past. Also Joe's Grant due to the easy accessibility during cold winter weather.

The Shellfish Committee unanimously approved a Motion made by Paul Caruso and seconded by Chris Freeman to recommend approval of the September 17, 2018 Meeting Minutes as amended.

2. Chairman's Comments:

The Shellfish Committee unanimously approved a motion made by Robert Lancaster and seconded by Paul Caruso to accept the following schedule for 2019 Shellfish Committee Meetings to be held at the Barnstable Senior Center, 825 Falmouth Road, Hyannis, MA. The Meetings start at 7:00pm

January 16, 2019	April 17, 2019	July 17, 2019	October 16, 2019
February 20, 2019	May 15, 2019	August 21, 2019	November 20, 2019
March 20, 2019	June 19, 2019	September 18, 2019	December 18, 2019

3. Natural Resources Propagation Report:

Tom Marcotti updated the shellfish areas that will open on November 1, 2018 pending DMF water quality approval are: North Bay, Lewis Bay, Popponeset/Shoestring Bay, Scudder Lane.

Oysters opening day is November 3, 2018. Oysters have been placed in three areas. Scudder Lane, left of the Cotuit Town Docks and Bay Street in Osterville. There will be a police detail to direct traffic at Scudder Lane.

Oyster limit is one half peck per week. Vibrio season ends on October 20, 2018. Scallop season opened September 30, 2018. Natural Resources is currently working on creating a shell recycling program in Barnstable.

Liz Lewis presented information on the Shellfish Planting Areas (see attached map). There were 78 volunteers who worked 489.5 hours and moved 473 bushels of quahogs in 2018.

4. Status of pending NOI pier applications before the Conservation Commission:

NONE.

5. Old Business:

The Shellfish Committee unanimously voted to approve a motion made by Robert Lancaster and seconded by Paul Caruso to recommend approval of the changes to the Town of Barnstable Shellfishing, Eel, Herring and Aquaculture rules and regulations as proposed by the Natural Resources Program of the Marine and Environmental Affairs Department.

6. New Business:

NONE

7. Matters not reasonably anticipated by the Chair

The Shellfish Committee unanimously approved a motion made by Robert Lancaster and seconded by Paul Caruso to adjourn.

Respectfully Submitted,

Terri McDonald, Administrative Assistant