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Shellfish Committee Minutes of the Meeting
DATE: June 19, 2019
TIME: 7:00 P.M. to 7:35 P.M.
LOCATION: Senior Center, 825 Falmouth Road, Hyannis

Shellfish Committee Members present: Chairman: Stuart Rapp, Jacob Angelo, Paul Caruso, Patricia Farinha, Bill Shumway, Robert Lancaster

Shellfish Committee Members absent: Al Suprenant

General Public present: Rich Haskell, Tyler Hagenstein, Tom Grimmer, Paul Hendricks and William Korkuch.

Town Council Liaison present: Phil Wallace

Town Staff present: Tom Marcotti, Shellfish Biologist, Amy Croteau, Natural Resource Officer/Shellfish Constable and Lisa Henderson, Clerk of the Board.

Stuart Rapp chaired the June 19, 2019 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 voted by majority to approve a Motion made by Paul Caruso and seconded by William Shumway to approve the Meeting Minutes from May 15, 2019 as written.

2. Chairman's comments: None

3. Natural Resources Propagation Report

Tom Marcotti gave the Propagation Report as follows:

Natural Resources Report: June, 2019

The efforts and results of this seasons propagation program by our staff has been excellent. We have been getting a lot of good seed of all varieties which allows the recreation areas to be restocked and other seed to go to the best practical habitat locations. The clamming classes held were well attended with a large turnout.

4. Old Business: *None*

5. New Business:

A. Section 407-18. Northside harvest restrictions:

A discussion ensued about the commercial harvest of soft shell clams on the Northside to include Wednesdays. Natural Resource Officer and Shellfish Constable Croteau found nothing detrimental to include Wednesdays in the commercial harvest of soft shell clams on the Northside of the Town of Barnstable July 15 – September 15, 2019. Therefore Natural Resources has no opposition to recommend to the Town Manager to include Wednesdays under an emergency opening July 15 – September 15, 2019. The Committee voted by majority to approve a motion made by Paul Caruso, seconded by Jacob Angelo to recommend the emergency opening to the Town Manager of Wednesdays for the commercial harvest of soft shell clams on the Northside July 15 – September 15, 2019.

B. Notification of shellfish aquaculture licensed site application:

Applicant: Thomas Grimmer (from the waiting list)

Application: Issuance of a shellfish aquaculture license for site (ng052, 2.0 acres)

Location: A designated portion (2.0 acres) of intertidal flat in the mid-Barnstable Harbor north of Sand Island as recorded on a map at the G.I.S. Unit. This is an existing grant site.

Public Hearing: Date: Wednesday, June 26, 2019
Time: 9:00 A.M.
Place: Barnstable Town Hall,
Selectman's Conference Room, 2nd Floor
367 Main Street, Hyannis MA

Plans and applications describing the proposed activity are on file at the Town Manager's Office and at the MEAD Offices at 1189 Phinney's Lane. Please call if you have any questions regarding this application.

The Shellfish Committee unanimously approved a motion made by Robert Lancaster and seconded by Paul Caruso to recommend approval of the aquaculture license of site (ng052, 2.0 acres) to Thomas Grimmer (from the waiting list), and issuance of a new license for a period of 10 years.

6. Matters not reasonably anticipated by the Chair:

Mr. Tyler Hagenstein and William Korkuch, grant holders/commercial shell fishermen in the Town of Barnstable, discussed the need for the regulations of aquaculture grant holders to be reviewed and changed as far as domiciles, succession, heirs, domiciles as well as parking issues. Shellfish Constable Croteau acknowledged that recent events brought these issues to light and they are now well aware of this need and are discussing how to best approach these issues.

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

Respectfully Submitted,

Lisa Henderson