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SHELLFISH COMMITTEE
MINUTES OF THE MEETING
DATE: January 13, 2021
TIME: 6:00 P.M. to 7:24 P.M.

This meeting was held via ZOOM
Physically closed to the public to avoid group congregation.

Shellfish Committee Members present: Stuart Rapp, Robert Lancaster, Patricia Farinha, Jacob Angelo, Paul Caruso, Tyler Hagenstein, William Shumway

Shellfish Committee Members absent: Al Surprenant

General Public present: Dave Attaniemi, Ryan Attaniemi, Mark Burgess, Michael Bridges

Town Council Liaison present: Kristine Clark

Town Staff present: Amy Croteau, Natural Resource Officer/Shellfish Constable, Terri McDonald, Clerk

Stuart Rapp chaired the January 13, 2020 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 Robert Lancaster and seconded by Tyler Hagenstein approve the December 9, 2020 minutes as amended.

2. Chairman's Comments: Stuart Rapp will be leaving the meeting at 7:00 to attend the Zoning Board of Appeals Meeting at 7:00 pm tonight.

3. Natural Resources Report:

Amy Croteau, Senior Natural Resources Officer presented the following:

Recreational Shellfish Permits sold for 2020 Season compared to 2019 Season

Permit Type	2019	2020
Resident	1468	1281
Senior Resident	1034	887
Non-Resident	282	537
Seasonal	32	43
NR Veteran	22	41
NR Senior Veteran	51	35
TOTALS	2889	2824

Oyster limit increased on 1/13/21 to one full peck per week.

An email blast will be sent out for the Permits for 2021 and will go on sale 1/29/21.

Commercial Shellfish Waitlist Lottery will take place on February 2, 2021 at 12:00pm, live lottery coverage available through Zoom. Information is posted on Town Calendar. Results will be posted outside 1189 Phinneys Lane, Centerville by end of day on February 2, 2021.

A two minute video was shown of the Marstons Mills River bottom. Closer to North Bay and moved back towards Prince Cove in the channel. Bottom is silty with various areas of sponge present.

Farmers Market for Shellfish: Wellfleet has allowed a collaborative effort to have a shellfish farmer's market. Wholesale dealer and retail truck scenario. Tyler Hagenstein and Jacob Angelo inquired of this possibility for Barnstable. Amy Croteau went through some of the requirements and permits that would be needed and is working with DMF and the Department of Public Health to possibly get this in Barnstable. Sales would only be allowed prior to Vibrio season, DMF is not comfortable going past mid-May when Vibrio season starts. More follow-up to come on this topic.

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

A. Applicant: Lester A. and Rosemary Dunn Moeller
Project Location: 71 Snow Creek Drive, Hyannis, MA 02601
Representative: Mark Burgess, Shorefront
Proposed Project: Proposed seasonal dock
Conservation Hearing Date: 01/05/2021 6:30PM via Zoom

No Shellfish in this area – Brackish Pond – No action by Committee

B. Applicant: Benjamin S. and Linda M. Butcher
Project Location: 105 Eel River Road, Osterville, MA 02655
Representative: John O'Dea, Sullivan Engineering
Proposed Project: Replace and reconfigure existing pier, ramp and floats
Conservation Hearing Date: 02/02/2021 6:30 PM via Zoom

No issue pier – No action by Committee

5. **New Business:**

A. Massachusetts Shellfish Initiative Update (Amy Croteau)

Amy Croteau presented information MSI is still continue and the State is looking for guidance. It is moving forward with a Strawman plan that has 6 guidelines which will be used to formulate a final strategic plan. Tyler Hagenstein and Jacob Angelo have reviewed the information provided. Barnstable is already working on or has working on or has established locally most of their six objectives. Working Groups, online permitting, MEA dedicated educational kiosk, Natural Resource Officer dedicated to Vibro compliance. Working on the Farmer's Market angle. Through MSOA, and climate resiliency funds, Barnstable has two rainfall gauges in Town, one on the North side and one on the South side that could be helpful when rainfall closures occur.

Commonwealth. The schedule of the meetings have been during low tide which hampers the attendance of people from the industry.

6. **Old Business:** None.

7. **Special Presentations:**

A. Review of Potential Shellfish Habitat Improvement Methods (Sub-Committee: Paul Caruso, Al Suprenant, Jake Angelo)

Work in progress. Paul Caruso outlined the Al Suprenant is in Florida. Statement of Problem has been developed. Jake will be covering, boat related issues; Paul will be covering the dredging aspect, and Al will be covering species as well as permitting and private sector contributions for water cleaning. Anything sub-committee shouldn't be considering. Robert Lancaster stated that they are running into area beyond shellfish issues. Preference of Stuart Rapp is to be more inclusive of ideas.

8. **Matters not reasonably anticipated by the Chair:**

Transfer upcoming Scott Mullin to Robert Maloney applying to transfer of ng03. Paperwork just received, hearing scheduled for 2/2/21.

Committee had no comment.

The Shellfish Committee unanimously voted to approve a Motion made by Robert Lancaster and seconded by Paul Caruso to adjourn.

Respectfully submitted: Terri McDonald – Clerk of the Board