

Town of Barnstable Shellfish Committee

1189 Phinneys Lane, Centerville MA 02632

SHELLFISH COMMITTEE MINUTES OF THE MEETING DATE: July 10, 2024 TIME: 6:30-8:30 PM

<u>Shellfish Committee Members present</u>: Douglas Crook, Patricia Farinha, Gloriann Hurwitz, Paul Hendricks, Robert Lancaster, Jacob Angelo, Bill Cherepon

Shellfish Committee Members absent: Al Surprenant, Stuart Rapp

General Public present: Tim Hamel, Connor Rogan

Town Council Liaison absent: Gordon Starr

Town Staff present: Amy Croteau, Shellfish Constable; Alicia Lauzon, MEA Administrative Assistant

Douglas Crook called the meeting to order at 6:30 PM, as July 10, 2024 meeting of the Shellfish Committee. Douglas read a notice at the beginning of the meeting:

NOTICE OF RECORDING "Please note that tonight's meeting is recorded and broadcast on the Town of Barnstable's Government Access Channel 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."

## **TOPICS FOR DISCUSSION**

1. Approve Meeting Minutes: June 12, 2024 minutes

Bill moved to approve the June 12, 2024 meeting minutes and Gloriann seconded. There was a unanimous vote in favor of approving minutes as written.

- 2. Chairman's Comments: None
- 3. Natural Resources Report / Correspondence:
  - 1. Monthly Propagation Report

Constable Croteau stated Owen Nickels will be doing a finfish and shellfish assessment in Barnstable Harbor, sampling a few days a month for about a year. All remote sets from ARC have been received, with 650 of them being placed at Scudder and 40 placed at East Bay. A shellfish propagation area was added in East Bay where the remote sets of oysters were placed. All of the 2021 nets at Handy Point had gotten pulled to open for the fourth of July. There have been 4 permit suspensions issued this year.

2. Update on Dry Dragging Survey

Constable Croteau stated that she has started to look at other town's Commercial quahog regulations and it appears the dry dragging tends to be outside protected areas. She is still researching and will have more information at next month's meeting.

| July              |            |           |
|-------------------|------------|-----------|
| Permit Type       | 2023 YTD   | 2024 YTD  |
|                   |            |           |
| Resident          | 1269       | 1208      |
|                   |            |           |
| Non-Resident      | 424        | 353       |
|                   |            |           |
| Resident Senior   | 942        | 909       |
|                   | 27         | 12        |
| NR Veteran        | 37         | 43        |
| NR Veteran Senior | 77         | 72        |
| Seasonal          | 53         | 28        |
| YTD Totals:       | 2,802      | 2,613     |
|                   |            |           |
| YTD Income:       | \$133,059* | \$130,826 |

3. Year-to-date Permit Numbers

\*Some permits were purchased at a prorated amount

## 4. New Business: None

- 5. Upcoming (and Old) Renewal & Transfer Hearings: None
- 6. Upcoming (and old) Proposed Coastal Projects: None
- 7. Special Presentations: None
- 8. Old Business:
  - 1. Status of the repair of Scudder Lane town landing

## No updates at this time.

## 9. Matters not reasonably anticipated by the Chair: None

The Shellfish Committee unanimously voted to approve a motion made by Paul and seconded by Jacob at 6:43 PM to adjourn.

Respectfully Submitted: Alicia Lauzon – MEA Administrative Assistant