



Town of Barnstable

Shellfish Committee

1189 Phinneys Lane, Centerville MA 02632



SHELLFISH COMMITTEE MINUTES OF THE MEETING DATE: January 11, 2023 TIME: 6:00-8:00 PM

Shellfish Committee Members present: Bill Cherepon, Douglas Crook, Al Surprenant, Jake Angelo, Patricia Farinha, Tyler Hagenstein

Shellfish Committee Members absent: Robert Lancaster, Stuart Rapp

General Public present: Dave Ryan, Mark Begley, Wayne Hayes, Aaron Hemmila, Jared Hemmila, Connor Rogan, Matt Bunnell

Town Council Liaison present:

Town Staff present: Amy Croteau, Senior Natural Resource Officer/Shellfish Constable; Alicia Lauzon, MEA Administrative Assistant

Al Surprenant called the meeting to order at 6:05 PM, as January 11, 2023 meeting of the Shellfish Committee. Al Surprenant 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."

TOPICS FOR DISCUSSION

1. Approve Meeting Minutes: Kris Clark needs to be removed as Town Council Liaison. Patricia Farinha moved to approve the December 14, 2022 meeting minutes and Jake Angelo seconded. There was a unanimous vote in favor of approving minutes with the name correction.

2. Chairman's Comments:

3. Natural Resources Report / Correspondence:

1. Shellfish Growing Area Updates

Marstons Mills River and Prince Cove will open as of February 15, pending water quality. No shellfish permit numbers will be presented until March. Because of the change in expiration date on the permits from March to January, there were not any renewals at this time last year.

Commercial lottery applications are due by January 31st and the hearing for the commercial lottery will take place February 1st at 10 am. A tally of the amount of oysters harvested this year vs last year will be presented at the April or May meeting, after oyster season is over.

4. New Business:

1. Corporate Leasing of Aquaculture Licenses- originally brought to Committee by Al Surprenant

Presented by Dave Ryan of Cape Cod Oyster Company, of which started in the mid 1990's. This was introduced at the last meeting. Mr. Ryan stated he thinks it's in the best interest of the industry and the town that the family businesses continue. He would like to license the business in a way that reflects the way the farms are run instead of have multiple individual licenses. The reporting for the town will be more accurate having one accurate report instead of seven smaller broken up reports. Discussion followed where other families with family businesses agreed that this would make things easier. Concerns were voiced, including losing quality and volume of oyster from what a lot of older folk have built up to, as well as what will happen if multiple farms were consolidated under one name. A suggestion was made to table the proposal and come back to it, having been given a lot of information to think about and ask questions about.

5. Upcoming (and Old) Renewal & Transfer Hearings:

1. Hearing for the renewal of aquaculture licensed siteng038 in Barnstable Harbor for Carl Carlson, 275 Old Jail Lane, Barnstable, MA 02630 for a period of 10 years. Public hearing to be held via Zoom, 01/17/2023 at 9:00AM via Zoom

As Carl Carlson was not present, Constable Croteau presented this renewal. He has approximately .82 acres. Nothing is changing and he is looking for a 10 year renewal, this being his first renewal. Al made a motion to recommend renewal for Carl Carlson and Tyler seconded; unanimous vote in favor.

6. Upcoming (and old) Proposed Coastal Projects:

1. Constable Croteau gave an update of 150 Carriage Rd, which went before the Conservation Commission on the 3rd. It will be continued to Valentine's Day with the Conservation Commission feeling it is an extremely overbuilt dock for kayaks. They are being asked to come back with different plans.
2. Applicant: John & Pamela Layton
Project Location: 592 Poponessett Rd, Cotuit, MA 02635 (map 007 parcel 003)
Representative: Charles Rowland, Sullivan Engineering and Consulting, Inc.
Proposed Project: To construct and maintain stairs, a timber boardwalk, pier, ramp and float
Conservation Hearing Date: 1/3/2023 at 6:30PM via Zoom

As no representative was present, Constable Croteau presented this proposed project. There is no suitable habitat for shellfish and no objections by the committee.

3. Applicant: Shawn D. Martin, Trustee; The 310 North Bay Road Realty Trust
Project Location: 310 North Bay Rd, Osterville, MA 02655 (map 072, parcel 005)
Representative: Arlene Wilson, A.M. Wilson Associates, Inc.
Proposed Project: To convert post supported pier to pile supported pier with no change in footprint
Conservation Hearing Date: 1/10/2023 3:00PM via Zoom

As no representative was present, Constable Croteau presented this proposed project. There were no objections by the committee.

4. Applicant: Homeport Investments LLC
Project Location: 9 Indian Trail, Osterville, MA 02655 (map 091, parcel 015)
Representative: John O'Dea, Sullivan Engineering and Consulting, Inc.
Proposed Project: Replacement of failing timber bulkhead with vinyl bulkhead
Conservation Hearing Date: 1/17/2023 6:30PM via Zoom

As no representative was present, Constable Croteau presented this proposed project. There were no objections by the committee as the work is to be done entirely via the upland, so no shellfish will be impacted.

7. Old Business:

1. Status of the repair of Scudder Lane Town Landing

There are no updates at this time as no meeting has been scheduled yet.

8. Matters not reasonably anticipated by the Chair: None

The Shellfish Committee unanimously voted to approve a Motion made by Al and seconded by Jake at 7:07 PM to adjourn.

Respectfully Submitted: Alicia Lauzon – MEA administrative assistant