



Town of Stonington
Shellfish Commission
152 Elm Street Stonington, CT 06378

REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

April 3, 2014

7:00 PM

A regular meeting of the Stonington Shellfish Commission was held on Thursday, April 3, 2014 at 7:00 PM at Stonington Town Hall, 152 Elm Street, Stonington, CT. Voting members present were Mr. Alan Banister, Mr. Don Raffo, Mr. John Swenarton, Ms. Tessa Getchis, Mr. Steve Brown; Secretary, Mr. Don Murphy; Chairman.

- 1) Call to order Mr. Murphy called the meeting to order at 7:03 PM
- 2) Review and approval of the minutes of the special meeting of March 4, 2014.

A motion was made by Mr. Raffo and seconded by Mr. Banister to approve the March 4, 2014 regular meeting minutes as presented. The motion was approved unanimously.

- 3) Correspondence
 - a) A letter dated February 27, 2014 from Cindy Bayreuther, Docko, Inc. to Donald Murphy, Shellfish Commission Re: DEEP Permit Consultation Form and permit application drawings for Ms. Rhonda M. Boyajian to construct an addition to an existing dock off Osbrook Point, Little Narragansett Bay.
 - b) A letter dated March 12, 2014 from Paul Biscuti, Dicesare-Bentley Engineers Inc., to Donald Murphy, Shellfish Commission Re: DEEP Permit Application for the Masons Island Company to replace a drain pipe on Chippachaug Trail, Mystic, CT.
 - c) Email dated March 31, 2014, from David Lamoureux Jr., Environmental analyst, DA/BA to Donald Murphy, Shellfish Commission Re: Eastern region sampling collection schedule and procedures.
- 4) Business
 - a) **Conditional Shellfishing Areas - Outer Quiambaug Cove and East Mason's Island-** Conditional areas were open most of the month, but all areas and the approved waters were closed on the 30th due to over three inches of rainfall. Water testing of samples on March 11, from all areas had excellent results.
 - b) **Report on the meeting of the Waterford/East Lyme Shellfish Commission on the new DABA procedure for transporting water samples-** DABA has indicated that samples can be couriered one day per week for the four towns (East Lyme, Waterford, Groton, and Stonington) to the laboratory in Milford. When DABA is conducting sampling by boat, additional samples can be transported to Milford; both endeavors need the proper coordination and collaboration by all parties. A possible outcome of this new process may be that the conditional areas will remain closed for longer periods of time

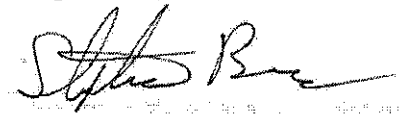
due to the reduced service provided by DABA.

- c) **Application by Ms. Rhonda Boyajjian to construct an addition to an existing dock off Osbrook Point, Little Narragansett Bay.** -No comment
- d) **Application by Mr. William Scalzi to construct a dock in the Pawcatuck River** -No comment
- e) **Update on the application by the Army Corps of Engineers to dredge the Mystic River-** No response by the Army Corps to the SSC's concerns about the impact of the dredging on commercial shellfishing in regards to possible lost product and/or time due to possible testing results in connection with the dredging.
- f) **Equipment – preparing the Commission's boat for launching**
The SSC patrol boat is scheduled to be launched on April 25th, 2014. A new water pump and some electrical work will be completed by this date.
- g) **Application by William W. MacKay to conduct aquaculture in Little Narragansett Bay**
No action taken
- h) **Update on finances; collections, bills, and remuneration**
No actions
- i) **Commercial shellfishing; reports and discussion**
No report

5) New Business - none

6) Adjournment - A motion was made by Mr. Banister and seconded by Mr. Raffo to adjourn the meeting as there was no further business to discuss. The motion was approved unanimously. Meeting was adjourned at 7:45 PM.

Respectively submitted,



Stephen Brown, Secretary