

**STONINGTON SHELLFISH COMMISSION  
MEETING MINUTES**

**7 October 2009**

A meeting of the Stonington Shellfish Commission was held on this date at the Stonington Human Resources Services Building. Voting members present were Mr. John Swenarton, Mr. Alan Banister, Ms. Tessa Getchis, and Mr. Don Murphy; Chairman.

Mr. Murphy called the meeting to order at 7:03 PM.

A motion was made by Mr. Swenarton to accept the minutes of the 10 September 2009 meeting, as amended. Mr. Banister made a second to the motion, which was approved with exception of Ms. Getchis who abstained.

**CORRESPONDENCE**

None.

**BUSINESS**

1) *Meeting Date for 2010*

- a) Mr. Murphy will send an email to all members to determine availability.

2) *Conditional Shellfishing Areas*

- a) Area A and Outer Quaimbaug Cove were closed 1-5 September, open 6-30 September. Area B remained closed for the month per the MOU, however, it may be opened soon. Opening is dependent on the number of boats anchored in the area.
- b) Clams will be transplanted into Area A and Outer Quaimbaug Cove on October 31.

3) *Enforcement / Equipment*

- a) Mr. Murphy reported that winter storage for the boat will be at Don's Dock.

4) *Scallop Enhancement Project in Little Narragansett Bay*

- a) Mr. Murphy reported Jon Mitchell pulled the last of the marker buoys out of the water and that they will be stored at Don's house.
- b) Mr. Murphy will review the East Coast Shellfish Hatchery List and then draft a letter to the DA/BA and ask for their guidance regarding the importation of scallops for next season's project.
- c) Mr. Banister noted that the Commission should seek a coordinator for the project.

5) *Summary of Commercial Activities*

- a) Steve Plant reported that he started a new crop of oysters at Ram Point.

**NEW BUSINESS**

\*\*\*none\*\*\*

With no further business to discuss, Mr. Banister made a motion to adjourn the 7 October 2009 meeting of the Stonington Shellfish Commission. Mr. Swenarton made a second, which was unanimously approved. The meeting adjourned at 7:59 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

  
Donald L. Murphy, Chairman

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