



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

REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
August 2, 2012
7:00 PM

A special meeting of the Stonington Shellfish Commission (SSC) was held on this date at the Stonington Town Hall, 152 Elm St, Stonington, CT. Voting members present were Mr. Don Raffo, , Mr. John Swenarton; Acting Secretary, Mr. Don Murphy; Chairman.

- 1) Call to order - Mr. Murphy called the meeting to order at 7:02 PM
- 2) Review and approval of the minutes of the regular meeting of June 7, 2012, and the special meeting of July 18, 2012 – A **motion** was made by Mr. Raffo, seconded by Mr. Murphy and approved unanimously to accept the June 7, 2012 minutes with one minor amendment. A **motion** was made by Mr. Raffo, seconded by Mr. Murphy and approved unanimously to accept the July 18, 2012 minutes.
- 3) Correspondence - none
- 4) Business
 - a) Conditional Shellfishing Areas – Areas A, B, and Outer Quiambaug were open for much of July. Outer Quiambaug was closed on 23 July due to a beached dead whale on Latimer Point, but was reopened on 26 July following good test results on samples taken on 24 July. All conditional areas were closed following a rainfall on 28 July. Water samples were collected again on 1 Aug and all results were good.
 - b) Consider allocating funds for restocking the conditional shellfish areas – There was discussion and consensus that another restocking was necessary, preferably before Labor Day. A **motion** was made by Mr. Raffo and seconded by Mr. Swenarton to allocate \$3500 to purchase hard clams for restocking of conditional shellfish areas. Motion was approved unanimously.
 - c) Enforcement – Review position description, job announcement, etc. for the warden position – Following discussion, Mr. Murphy will modify documents necessary to post the warden position and send out drafts to SSC members for final review.
 - d) Summary of commercial activities – Kevin Blados reported on the new requirements for growers that shellfish need to be iced within 5 hours of harvest due to *Vibrio* concerns. The remuneration spreadsheets were reviewed and there were no changes from the previous meeting.
- 5) New Business - none
- 6) Adjournment – With no further business to discuss, a **motion** to adjourn was made by Mr. Raffo, seconded by Mr. Murphy and approved unanimously. Meeting was adjourned at 7:44 PM.

Respectively submitted,


John Swenarton, Acting Secretary