



Waterford-East Lyme Shellfish Commission
Meeting Minutes

Thursday, December 15, 2016
Waterford Town Hall, 7:30 pm



Members present: J. Patrick Kelly, Paul Spakowski, Rich Miller, Tom Bowlen, Larry Tytla, Eric Kanter and Fred Grimsey

Absent: Peter Harris

Guests: Dan Cunningham, Lou Bull, Phil Connor

- 1) The meeting was called to order at 7:30 pm after a quorum established.
- 2) The minutes of the November meeting were reviewed. There was one correction; change venue from Waterford to East Lyme Town Hall. The minutes were accepted with one correction on a motion by P. Spakowski, seconded by R. Miller, all in favor; motion passed.
- 3) Treasurer's report was reviewed including the financials on a motion by R. Miller, seconded by P. Spakowski; all in favor; motion passed. A recent collection of \$3500.00 gross in scallop permit sales was collected from Hillyer's.
- 4) Chief Warden's Report-
 - Warden's boat was hauled out due to impending weather.
 - The boat was scraped up during an extreme low tide by a mooring; no major damage to repair.
 - Some scallops are being found near Mago Point boat ramp but otherwise there are very few.
 - All APC samples are up to date
 - Clamming is going very well.
 - Difficulty getting gas at NBBV and Mago Point Marinas.
 - The regulation on steamers needs to be reviewed.
- 5) Old Business-
 - a) The 2017 Shellfish Gathering will be held on January 21, 2017. A. Tinker will send in payment with all registrations before January 12, 2017.
 - b) The Scallop season sales are good; but few are being found and they are mostly small. There have been no complaints to date. Seeding was discussed.
 - c) Areas B and F are currently open. P. Kelly changed recording on infoline.
 - d) R. Miller would like to purchase the old trailer. Motion by P. Spakowski to sell the old boat trailer for \$125.00 to Rich Miller, seconded by T. Bowlen, all in favor, motion passed.
 - e) The commission is waiting on a response from Jim Markow for the purchase of clam stock.
- 6) New Business-
 - a) The Rocamora dock permit discussion for 6 Elizabeth St, Niantic was tabled.
 - b) The Wallace Family Trust dock permit for 4 Bayside Ave, Waterford was reviewed by Phil Connor of Docko Inc. and a decision was tabled to the next meeting.
 - c) There was a discussion of WELSCO and East Lyme Harbor Mgmt/Shellfish purchasing of a new rain gauge that is more efficient.

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7) Correspondence – None

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8) Ex Officio Comments –

The Town of East Lyme has appointed a Police Commissioner and purchased a new police boat. There are several Eversource utility trucks working in the area by J & B Tackle on Smith Ave according to D. Cunningham, Ex-Officio.

9) Public Input –

a) F. Grimsey explained the hold up on the Water borne illness study is due to the drought. He discussed a new LIS cleanup project-embayment study to establish better water quality. This project is under the CT fund for the environment and they are looking for volunteers. Save the River, Save the Hills is looking to hire a grad student.

10) The meeting was adjourned at 8:35 pm on a motion by P. Spakowski.

Respectfully submitted,

Amy Tinker
Secretary

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