

**Waterford-East Lyme Shellfish Commission**Meeting Minutes

Thursday June 21, 2018

Waterford Town Hall, 7:30 pm



Members present: Peter Harris, Tom Bowlen, Paul Spakowski, J. Patrick Kelly, Elizabeth Gelinas, Eric Kanter and Larry Tytla

Absent: Fred Grimsey

Guests: Dan Cunningham, Ex-Officio

- 1) The meeting was called to order at 7:30 pm and a quorum established.
- 2) The minutes of the April 19, 2018 meeting were reviewed. The minutes were accepted on a motion by Mr. Kelly, seconded by Mr. Spakowski; motion passed on a vote of 6 to 1, Mr. Bowlen abstained.

The minutes of the May 17, 2018 Public Hearing were reviewed. The minutes were accepted on a motion by Mr. Spakowski, seconded by Mr. Tytla, all in favor, motion passed.

- 3) The Treasurer's report for April 2018 was presented including the financials and bank reconciliation. The Treasurer's report was accepted on a motion by Mr. Spakowski, seconded by Ms. Gelinas, all in favor, motion passed.

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Mr. Kelly stated the fiscal year end is June and all permit collections have been done. He noted the Frontier phone bill account has been closed and paid in full.

4) Chief Warden's Report-

- Area A open; seeing more activity.
- Boat is running ok, discussed estimates of new motor purchase; price ranges approximately 9 to 15K; will get written estimates. Boat trailer is in south yard at Mago Point.
- There was an incident with the boat and an abandoned mushroom anchor; the anchor will be removed soon and is now marked with an orange buoy.
- There was discussion on purchasing tow insurance for the boat.

5) Old Business-

- a) The discussion and action on the amended Aquaculture Policy statement was tabled on a motion by Mr. Kelly, seconded by Ms. Gelinas, all in favor, motion passed. Commissioners agreed a special meeting should be held with the Waterford Harbor Management Commission to discuss their concerns and suggestions and to also invite Attorney Avena.
- b) The discussion of WELSCO Aquaculture Application by Niantic Bay Shellfish Farm for Area 2 and 5 was tabled on a motion by Mr. Kelly, seconded by Mr. Tytla, all in favor, motion passed.

**FILED**

June 26 2018 AT 9:15 (AM) PM

*Larry Tytla*

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6) New Business- None

7) Ex Officio Comments-

Mr. Cunningham noted that Dick Morris has resigned as the EL Harbor Master.

8) Correspondence-

The Waterford Harbor Management Commission sent a document regarding the WELSCO Aquaculture Policy Statement.

9) Public Input-

Paul Daversa- 168 Niantic River Road

Thanked commissioners on their efforts; recommends more time be spent on reviewing the WELSCO Policy Statement.

Tim Londregan- Niantic Bay Shellfish Farm

Noted that scallop spawning has begun in the river and discussed native scallop harvesting.

10) The meeting was adjourned at 8:00 pm on a motion by Mr. Spakowski, seconded by Mr. Kelly.

Respectfully submitted,

Amy Tinker  
Secretary