



Waterford-East Lyme Shellfish Commission



Meeting Minutes
Thursday, April 18, 2019
Waterford Town Hall, 7:30 pm

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

- 1) The meeting was called to order at 7:30 pm and a quorum established.
- 2) The Secretary's minutes of the March 21, 2019 meeting were reviewed and a correction to item 5C adding "Lynn Haven River" as the area on aquaculture conflict and resolution. Motion to approve with the correction as stated by Mr. Spakowski, seconded by Mr. Kanter, motion passed, vote 6-0.

The Secretary's minutes of the January 17, 2019 meeting were reviewed and approved on a motion by Mr. Spakowski, seconded by Ms. Gelinas, with (1) abstain (Benvenuti), motion passed, vote 5-1.

- 3) The Treasurer's report for March 2019 was approved on a motion by Mr. Spakowski, seconded by Mr. Kanter, motion passed, vote 6-0.

Members discussed increasing the hourly rate charged to both Towns' of East Lyme and Waterford for the monthly warden's hours for patrol and sampling.

- 4) Chief Wardens Report:
 - a) Currently the river is open for shell fishing, samples were done on 4.17.19 and activity is slow in the river.
 - b) Chief explained the required samplings for the Niantic River and Jordan Cove required by the DA/BA.
 - c) Motion by Mr. Harris, seconded by Ms. Benvenuti to allocate \$350.00 to repair steering, motion passed, vote 6-0.
 - d) Motion by Mr. Harris, seconded by Mr. Kelly to allocate up to \$500.00 for the purchase of two marker buoy balls, motion passed, vote 6-0.

5) Old Business-

a) Members reviewed By-laws with edits done by Mr. Harris. Members also discussed the Calendar of yearly events. Members agreed the Calendar of yearly events is simply a guideline and should not be attached to the By-laws.
 Motion by Mr. Harris, seconded by Mr. Spakowski, to forward the copy of the By-laws only with Mr. Harris' edits to both East Lyme and Waterford Town Attorney's for their input/ edits, motion passed, vote 6-0.
 Motion by Mr. Harris, seconded by Ms. Gelinas, to distribute the Calendar of yearly events, the annual meeting schedule and contact list annually in the 4th quarter, motion passed, vote 6-0.

b) Mr. Harris contacted Jim Bloom in Branford CT and retained pricing on the purchase of top necks and cherrystones. Members discussed and agreed a price on quahogs, chowders and mixed bags should be obtained. There was further discussion on where to scatter clams noting the Bureau of Aquaculture must give their approval.

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6) New Business- None

7) Ex-Officio comments- None

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8) Correspondence –

- a) The LIS Blue Plan public hearing and meeting dates notice was sent to Mr. Harris and will be distributed to all members.
- b) There has been no information received on Mr. Londregan's experimental scallop project. Mr. Harris will request a report for the past and current project.

9) Public Input–

Ellen Fratus-Waterford: The Town of Waterford's website did not have a timely posting of tonight's meeting Agenda.

- 10) The meeting was adjourned at 8:40 pm on a motion by Mr. Spakowski, seconded by Mr. Kelly.

Respectfully submitted,

Amy Tinker
Secretary