



Waterford-East Lyme Shellfish Commission



Meeting Minutes
Thursday, June 20, 2024
Waterford Town Hall, 7:00 pm

Members present: Peter Harris, Paul Spakowski, J Patrick Kelly, Fred Wise, Larry Tytla, and Marcia Benvenuti

Members absent: Rick Kanter, Tom Bowlen

Guests: Chief Warden Chmiel, acting ex-officio Anne Cicchiello

- 1) The meeting was called to order at 7:00 pm and a quorum established
- 2) Review and approval of previous meeting minutes:
May 16, 2024 Regular Meeting minutes approved on a motion by Mr. Kelly, seconded by Mr. Spakowski, vote 5-0, Ms. Benvenuti abstained.
- 3) Review and approval of treasurer's report
 - a. Mr. Kelly reviewed the Treasurer's report sent by e-mail earlier. Report was approved on a motion by Mr. Spakowski, seconded by Mr. Tytla, vote 6-0.
 - b. Mr. Kelly reviewed CD interest rates and proposed 2 CDs be opened, 1 for 8 months at 4.75% and 1 at 30 months at 4.25%, proposal approved on a motion by Mr. Spakowski, seconded by Mr. Wise, vote 6-0.
 - c. Motion to allocate \$3300 for annual CPA review made by Mr. Harris, seconded by Mr. Tytla. Motion approved 6-0.
- 4) Chief Warden's Comments : Chief Warden Chmiel gave his report to the commission. Shellfishing activity is increasing as the water warms up. The condition of the Waterford Town Dock was discussed and Mr. Harris will call WTFD First Selectman Brule to get an update on the repair work.
- 5) Old business: Mr. Wise reviewed pricing on clam and oyster stock from various vendors as well as the potential for acquiring scallop seed. No action taken at this meeting.
- 6) New Business
No new business presented at this time.
- 7) Ex-Officio comments : Ex-officio Mackenzie was unable to attend the meeting and Selectwoman Anne Cicchiello attended in his absence, no town matters were presented.
- 8) Correspondence : No correspondence was presented.
- 9) Public Comment : Terry Lineburger, Niantic River Road, Waterford CT, asked the commission if a vendors legal standing with the town impacts contracts between WELSCO and a vendor. Discussion ensued, acting Ex-officio Cicchiello will discuss with the East Lyme town attorney. As WELSCO is a state appointed commission, town policy on this matter may not apply.
- 10) Adjournment : Meeting adjourned at 7:44 pm on a motion by Mr. Spakowski, seconded by Mr. Kelly, motion approved 6-0.

Respectfully submitted,

Peter Harris