



Waterford-East Lyme Shellfish Commission
Meeting Minutes
Thursday, September 17, 2015
East Lyme Town Hall, 7:30 pm



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

Guests: Chief Warden Rich Chmiel and Robert Doane

- 1) The meeting was called to order at 7:35 pm after a quorum established.
- 2) The minutes of the August meeting were reviewed and accepted on a motion by P. Spakowski seconded by T. Bowlen, motion passed unanimously.
- 3) Treasurer's report was reviewed including the financials and the August checking account bank reconciliation; including any checks disbursed, on a motion by P. Spakowski, seconded by L. Tytla; motion passed unanimously. P. Kelly requested A. Tinker send a reminder to the Town of East Lyme for grant funding.
- 4) Chief Warden's Report-
 - Currently closed; samples were not good due to severe rainfall; samples to be taken Monday.
 - Boat is running well.
 - Weatherlink rain gauge location and accuracy was discussed.
- 5) Subcommittee Reports –
 - a) E. Kanter attended a Joint Land Use Study meeting at Camp Niantic with D. Landers. Moorings and moored vessels in the Camp Niantic safety zone were discussed.
- 6) Old Business-
 - a) P. Harris requested the committee for spat bag collection check and report findings of growth at the next meeting to see if experiment is working.
 - b) At next month's meeting a final decision of Scallop Season dates, permit language and cost will be determined; including the placement of public notices.
 - c) Discussion ensued on the Warden's liability when driving to/from Milford lab and the insurance cost. P. Kelly will look into an alternative option for sample delivery.
 - d) There was further discussion with regard to the Waterford Town Docks state of disrepair/safety issue. R. Miller will contact Public Works on the status of the pending repair order.
- 7) New Business-
 - a) A dock application for 2 Elizabeth Road, Niantic – owner J. Petrillo-was presented for approval by Robert Doane Jr. of Doane-Collins Engineering Assoc. LLC. After thorough discussion a motion by E. Kanter, seconded by R. Miller was made to approve the application as there are no adverse effects on shellfishing; motion carried with a vote of (7) approved/ (1) opposed.
 - b) New section in Area A is now open; located due west of Sandy Point with new signage installed.
- 8) Correspondence –
 - a) P. Harris will forward members via email EL Harbor Management's updated plan.
- 9) Public Input – none
- 10) The meeting was adjourned at 8:55 pm on a motion by P. Spakowski.

Respectfully submitted,

Amy Tinker

Secretary

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