Shellfish Committee

Meeting Minutes – July 27, 2016

Re: Approval of an off island commercial clam license.

In Attendance - Crystal Fairfield, Jon Kerr, Andrew Coombs, Robert Bower, Keith Pendleton, Fred Porter

In accordance with the Shellfish Ordinance - the committee approved the commercial license application for a non-island resident from the town of South China, Maine. His is the first time an off island resident has ever requested a commercial license.

In order to hold a valid commercial shellfish license, the digger must provide an original copy of their state license to the town clerk. Maps of the island defining open areas need to be provided to the applicant. The applicant will need to contact a member of the shellfish committee to discuss the required 5 hours of volunteer service.

A meeting will be scheduled in September to discuss possible changes in the current ordinance. The group agree that the high number of noncommercial recreational licenses may warrant a significant reduction in the allocation of commercial licenses.

Respectfully submitted

Jon Kerr