

Shellfish Conservation Meeting Minutes

March 28, 2018

Members Present: Crystal Fairfield, Ken Smith, Keith Pendleton, Jon Kerr, Tricia Brenza, Andrew Coombs and Janis Petzel

Others: Cindy Gorham, Terry Cowan

Absent: Fred O Porter

Meeting called to order at 4:04pm

Minutes for the January 31, 2018 meeting approved with corrections

Discussion:

Plans for posting signs are in progress. Andrew Coombs will contact Fred. Other members agreed to help out.

Ken Smith made a motion to approve the revisions to the ordinance, seconded by Crystal Fairfield. It was agreed to set the same fees as last year. Recreational \$5 for Resident and \$10 for Non-Resident Commercial \$100 for Resident and \$200 for Non-Resident

Janis Petzel passed around an article from the Fishermen's Voice. The article was about recruitment boxes and aquaculture/conservation of shellfish. Janis will follow up with information at the April 11 meeting. This may be an idea worth pursuing.

Ken Smith suggested we talk to the water sampling office in regards to opening new areas for harvesting. Consensus of the committee is that in recent years, the state has opened up more for us. Plan to share the latest information from Hannah Horecka with the committee in April.

Terry Cowan expressed an interest in offering access to the Ryder Cove flats behind his property on Main Road. The committee would welcome the invitation.

Jon Kerr suggested the Shellfish Committee should be involved with the not yet formed Sea Level Rise committee. All members in agreement.

The committee decided to hold the next meeting on April 11 at 4pm

Meeting adjourned at 5:30pm