

# MEETING MINUTES Scituate Shellfish Advisory Committee Wednesday March 13, 2019 Community Room Scituate Public Library 85 Branch Street

**Committee Members in Attendance:** Jeff Palmer, Jamie Davenport, Susan Harrison, Mike Dimeo, and Craig Rosenquist

**Committee Members not in Attendance:** None

Also, in Attendance: Dave Dauphinee, John Tadeshi, Bob Wigmore, Chris Newhall

This meeting was called to order by Mike Dimeo at 6:35PM

Mike Dimeo made a motion to approve the February 27, 2019 meeting minutes. Jamie Davenport seconded. (5-0)

#### Site Visit to Briggs Harbor, Scituate

Mike Dimeo discussed the planned site visit to Briggs Harbor, Scituate with Chris Schillaci, Aquaculture & Vibrio Specialist at the Division of Marine Fisheries (DMF) and Sue Bryant from Cohasset Center for Student Coastal Research (CCSCR) as well as Cristina Quinn, a Cohasset Resident from WGBH television. Jamie Davenport agreed to have a boat available to shuttle people to the beach from Cohasset Pier. Parking is available at the CCSCR lot. The site visit is open to the public, but the Advisory Committee agreed to give an update and overview of the site visit at the next Shellfish Advisory Committee Meeting on March 20, 2019

#### Assessment and Measurement of Proposed Aquaculture Site (Briggs Harbor)

Jamie Davenport updated the Committee on the possible measurements of the proposed site. Maps show proposed lines; however, some deed research may be necessary. Jamie Davenport and Mike Dimeo proposed talking to the Scituate Town Assessor's office to determine property lines. Chris Newhall suggested that we might include a civil surveyed plot plan to determine property rights. Mike Dimeo asked the committee if we should continue with the site visit

without definitive property lines. Jamie Davenport made a motion to continue with the site visit on Monday March 18, 2019. Susan Harrison seconded the motion. 5-0 Approved.

### **Discussion of Town Aquaculture Regulations:**

The Committee reviewed and discussed some of other South Shore and Cape Town Regulations. Towns the Committee reviewed include; Duxbury, Plymouth, Barnstable, Dennis, and Wellfleet,

The town regulations are similar regarding application, marking of boundaries, license granting, gear requirements and annual report requirements and fees. However, they differ regarding the lottery/ waitlist process, grant limitations, renewal of licenses, definitions of productivity and liability requirements. The committee will regroup next week to discuss what requirements will best fit with Scituate.

Susan Harrison will request the regulations in word documents from towns and compile a draft for review at the March 20, 2019 meeting. Craig Rosenquist will make sure that the we have a projector for the meeting so that we can edit the document as we discuss.

## Next Meeting: Wednesday March 20, 2019 at 6:30pm tentative location Public Library Community Room.

Proposed Agenda: Summary Discussion of the March 18<sup>th</sup> site visit of Briggs Harbor, Scituate. A working Session Meeting including a detailed discussion, page by page review of Aquaculture Regulations from other towns. Drafting Scituate Aquaculture Regulations.

There being no more business to discuss, Jamie Davenport for a motion to adjourn at 8:30PM. Seconded by Susan Harrison.

Unanimous Vote (5:0)

Respectfully submitted, Susan Harrison