



MEETING MINUTES
Shellfish Advisory Committee
Tuesday April 30, 2019 6:30 p.m. – 8:45 p.m.
Scituate Public Library
Community Room
85 Branch Street

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

Committee Liaisons in Attendance: Shawn Harris

Committee Members not in Attendance: Mike Dimeo

Also, in Attendance: Dave Dauphinee, David Sincoski, Bob Wigmore, John Tedeschi, Brian Kelly, and Andrew Slater.

This meeting was called to order by Susan Harrison at 6:34PM.

Approval of April 1, 2019 meeting minutes. Jeff Palmer made a motion to accept. Jamie Davenport second. All in favor (4-0).

Continue Group Discussion of Town Rules and Regulations Governing Commercial Aquaculture:

Jamie Davenport gave a brief overview and update on the outstanding decision points on the proposed regulations including the process for initiating grants, transferability, inheritability, and the number of individuals eligible for a single grant. There are some difficult decision points and the committee is interested determining a truly fair and transparent process for initiating and managing the grants.

Assessment and Measurement of Proposed Briggs Harbor Site:

The committee gave a brief overview of pending action items regarding the proposed Briggs Harbor Site. It was recommended that the committee engage a counsel for a title search and a professional surveyor for a survey. Susan Harrison and Jamie Davenport reported that they met with the Town Administrator to request a title search from the Town Counsel. Jim Boudreau will follow up with the Town Counsel. The committee reported that they have an estimate for \$2500 for a metes and bounds survey of the property and asked Shawn Harris for approval to

engage a surveyor and then request reimbursement from the Board of Selectmen. The committee will follow up with Shawn Harris and Jim Boudreau in the next couple days.

Group Discussion on Regulation Decision Points/ Initiating of Grants:

The committee discussed the initiation of grants including a “first come first served,” lottery or application approach. The committee determined that the fair approach for awarding initial grants is an application. The application would be to the Board of Selectmen, but the Shellfish Advisory Committee would report recommendations on applications through the Waterways Commission to the Board of Selectmen. The Shellfish Advisory Committee is interested in aquaculture succeeding in Briggs Harbor so the application should attempt to determine feasibility. Craig Rosenquist volunteered to compile existing applications from other towns and the committee will review them at the next meeting.

Schedule Next Meeting: May 15, 2019 at 6:45pm Location TBD. Proposed Agenda includes updates on action items; group discussion on grant application; and continue discussion of regulation decision points.

There being no more business to discuss, Jeff Palmer called for a motion to adjourn at 8:45PM. Seconded by Susan Harrison.

Unanimous Vote (4:0)

Respectfully Submitted,
Susan Harrison