Town of Stonington
Shellfish Commission
152 Elm Street Stonington, CT 06378

REGULAR MEETING
APRIL 2, 2015
7:00 PM

A regular meeting of the Stonington Shellfish Commission was held on Thursday, April 2, 2015 at 7:00 PM at Stonington Town Hall, 152 Elm Street Voting members present wereMr. John Swenarton, Mr. Alan Banister, Mr. Steve Brown; Secretary, Mr. Don Murphy; Chairman.

1) Call to order-Mr. Murphy called the meeting to order at 7:02PM

2) Review and approval of the minutes of the regular meetingof February 5, 2015 and of the special meeting of March 19,2015. A motion was made byMr. Swenarton and seconded by Mr. Banister to approve the February 5, 2015 regular meeting as presented. The motionwas approved unanimously. Approval of the March 19th meeting was tabled until the next meeting.

3) Correspondence

Email dated March 26th, 2015 from Donald Murphy, Commissionto Environmental Testimony, Cc. Aundre Bumgardner Re: Supporting House Bills 5720 and 5722.

4) Business

a) **Conditional Shellfishing Areas - Outer Quiambaug Cove and East Mason's Island-** All conditional areas and approved areas wereopen from March 1st until March 14th when they were closed due to 1.17 inches of rain. They were reopened on March 22nd. Water testing of samples on March 18th, and the 30th from all areas had excellent results The results on March 30th were especially good considering that there were nonconcontinuous rainfall events totaling 1.21 inches on the 27th and 28th of the month.

b) **Equipment- update on preparations to launch the shellfish boat-** the planned launch for the boat will be on April 15th- it will have a new bilge pump.

c) **Updating Stonington's GIS information in the Aquaculture Mapping Atlas** ongoing work

d) **Application by CT Cultured Oysters to modify LicenseAgreement # AQP-07-2008-2018 (B-2: Clam Point)** – no news to report

e) **Commercial shellfishing; reports and discussion**– no new news to report

5) New Business- Dan Mizer from the Oyster Club restaurant shared his preliminary ideas for establishing a small scale oyster operation using cages.

6) Adjournment- A motion was made by Mr.Banister and seconded by Mr. Swenarton to adjourn the meeting as there was no further business to discuss. The motion was approved unanimouslyThe meeting was adjourned at 7:47 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Stephen Brown, Secretary