



**Town of Stonington**  
**Economic Development Commission**  
152 Elm Street  
Stonington, Connecticut 06378

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**EDC Goals:**  
*To assist in the establishment of new business in Stonington; finding business locations; State of Connecticut and local assistance and incentives; introductions to area officials and business leaders; and area statistics and information.*

**FINAL MINUTES**

**Special Meeting**

**"Farming the Coastal Waters of Stonington: Past, Present, and Future"**

**Monday, January 29, 2018**

**7:00 PM**

**La Grua Center**  
**32 Water St.**  
**Stonington, CT**

The Stonington Economic Development Commission and Shellfish Commission hosted a community conversation to explore aquaculture in our coastal waters

Tessa L. Getchis, an extension agent with Connecticut Sea Grant at the University of Connecticut, and Shellfish Commission member, led a community discussion on how we use our coastal waters for cultivating seafood.

*Attendees: EDC: Ward Smith, Danielle Chesebrough*

*Shellfish Commission: Don Murphy, Tessa Getchis*

*Stonington Planning Department: Jason Vincent*

*Guest: Steve Plant, owner, Connecticut Cultured Oysters*

1. The event started at 7 PM.
2. Tessa Getchis presented an overview of the history and practice of aquaculture along the Stonington coastline, and a community discussion with the attendees followed.
3. The event ended at 8:20 PM

Ward Smith, Alternate Member  
Economic Development Commission

Dave Hammond, Chairman  
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