

Shellfish Advisory Board Meeting  
Thursday March 11, 2019  
7:00 pm  
Town Hall

B. Austin called the meeting to order at

Attended: Barbara Austin( chair), Jacob Puffer, Brett Morse, John Duane, Zack Dixon, Jim O'Connell

Regrets: Tom Siggia, Rebecca Taylor, Dave Seitler

Others in attendance: Others: Nancy Civetta, Helen Miranda Wilson, Mark Nossiter, DanMorton, Ginny Parker, Will Barrio, Justina K. Carlson, Curt Felix, Miah Nate Johnson, John Connors, Bradford Morse, David B. Wright, Jude Ahearn, Fred Richard, Nancy Kunik, Damian Parkington, Jerre Austin

Agenda:

1. Approval of all minutes to date

**Barbara A. made a motion to accept the minutes from Jan 24. Jake seconded, motion passed, 7-0.**

**John Duane made a motion to accept the minutes from Feb 25, Jake P. seconded, motion passed, 7-0.**

2. Shellfish Dept. update

Nancy C. gave the January WSD report

**Barbara A. made a motion that John D. draft a letter supporting the nomination of Johny Clam and Chris Manulla as Deputy Shellfish Wardens of the year. Rebecca seconded, motion passed, 7-0.**

3. MSI schedule update

Next MSI Assessment meeting this Wed. 03/13 in New Bedford. Johnny and Chris plan to go. Meeting will go over feedback from MSI Assessment meeting members.

Discussion of Wellfleet representation included topics of how many reps would be ideal and who those reps should be.

**Barbara A. made a motion to support the nomination of Michael DeVasto to represent Wellfleet on the MSI task force, Brett seconded, motion passed, 7-0.**

4. Town Meeting articles review and potential votes:

Article 21 - Fuel Storage Tanks

**John Duane made a motion to support Article 21 for Capital Improvement of Fuel Storage Tanks at the Marina, Barbara seconded, motion passed, 7-0.**

Article 34 - Shellfish Revolving Fund

Jude Ahearn asked for clarification on Article 34. Nancy clarified the revolving fund for propagation.

Helen added that a revolving fund is a good and standard way to fund the propagation fund. And that the Shellfish Warden would have to go to SAB for recommendation and then to BOS for approval of proportions spending.

Jake asked if fines would be included. Nancy said that she does not know, but will know soon. Also, she said that Chatham and Barnstable Shellfish Depts. both do this for propagation.

Kurt added that funds should be available from the Air-b&b tax for Cape Cod Towns.

**Barbara made a motion to support Article 34 for a Shellfish Revolving Fund, Jake P. seconded, motion passed, 7-0.**

Article 35 - Water Resources Director

Justina stated that the water system in this town needs a Resource Director. The system is too much to be handled by volunteers.

Curt Felix from the Wastewater Committee added:

- last year this board voted to support this.
- Wellfleet has a plan approved for alternative methods (other than sewer)
- MSI has absolutely nothing to do with Wastewater Committee in Wellfleet.
- Wastewater Committee is dedicated to doing no harm to shellfish in Wellfleet.
- refuted the idea that shellfish used for restoration would affect the shellfish market.

Discussion included:

- Responsibilities of a Water Resource Director
- affect of removing algae from water
- Helen from BOS talked about the fact that two separate articles may be drafted for the warrant. So SAB may want to wait to voice their support or non-support for this.
- long term plan / climate change

**Jake made a motion to support article 35, Water Resources Director. John seconded. Motion passed, 6-1.**

Article 37 - 3 Kendrick Ave

Damian requested that SAB discuss the acquisition of 3 Kendrick Ave. before town meeting.

Helen said that the article may change before town meeting and SAB should pause before supporting or not supporting.

Mike added that there is no plan for what to do with this building.

Petitioned article D - Single Use Plastic/Balloons

**Brett Made a motion to support Petitioned Article D banning single use plastic. Jake seconded. Passed 6-0 with one abstention.**

**John D. made a motion to support the petition article banning balloons. Brett seconded. Passed, 7-0.**

5. set Beach Cleanup date;

- set for May 11

6. Shellfish Management Plan outline;

postponed

7. Compare Open Planning Session for upcoming meetings

postponed

8. Shellfish Management plan

postponed

Meeting adjourned at 9:12 pm