Shellfish Advisory Board Meeting Thursday May 15, 2019 7:00 pm - Town Hall

B. Austin called the meeting to order at 7:10

Attended: Barbara Austin(chair), John Duane, Zack Dixon, Dave Seitler, Tom Siggia, Jacob Puffer, Brett Morse

Regrets: Rebecca Taylor

Others in attendance: Others: Nancy Civetta, Johny Clam, Ed Tesson, Sue Tesson, Ben Pickard, Alfred Pickard, Stephen Pickard, Ginny Parker, Keith Rose, Dave Ziemba, Dan Stuart Morton

Agenda:

1. Approval of minutes

Barbara made a motion to approve minutes from March 11, 2019, April 16, 2019, and April 22, 2019.

2. Shellfish Dept. update

Nancy C. distributed the April WSD report SPAT awarded WSD with a grant of \$17k for recreational propagation

3. Beach clean up update

Barbara thanked all those who participated .84 tons was cleaned up

- Contaminated quahog relay areas and proposed rotational closure site relay areas are in Chipmans Cove Johnny reported that areas for rotational closure has not been determined
- Review definition of domicile to include period of time discussion of including 6 months to domiciled resident definition Barbara will check see when/if the 6 months came out of regs
- 6. Discussion of boat regulations and limits

Nancy reported that there have been some concerns over commercial shellfish boat regs:

1. types of gear regarding reg 8.2 - what about 2 hand drags? Nancy will edit the reg and bring it back to SAB

2. blood clams -

discussion of creating a reg to limit gear to oyster rakes with 2" rings when fishing for blood arks

or, be able to use whatever you want?

Steven P said that oyster drags can break the hinges of quahogs

7. Change to vibrio pier transfer variance

-discussion of meeting wholesale trucks at the pier instead of at landing - why must trucks have ice if within the 2 hours?

-Michael P. said that more meeting spots would make more sense (faster and less congested than the pier)

-possible for individuals to get variances for themselves to meet trucks at their landings? Nancy will talk to Eric Hickey.

-Dave brought up the idea of getting a good boom at the end of the pier

8. Mayo Creek Restoration

Jake reported on MCRC efforts Idea is to enlarge the current dyke would restore 20 acres now MCRC will seek professional opinion before moving forward Alfred brought up septics being out of compliance if water table rises and that the majority of Mayo Creek is private property

Barbara made a motion that SAB support the town's efforts to continue to look into the restoration of Mayo Creek. Brett seconded, passed 6-0.

9. Topics for future agendas

Reg change meeting: -Lieutenants Island going to open for quahogs? -domicile reg change -gear reg change -overwintering -plastics

Next meeting June 13, 2019 9:00 a.m. Wellfleet Library Meeting adjourned at 9:00 pm