

Current Charter

ATM 1987, Art. 52 [voice vote]

Voted: to create a Natural Resources Advisory Board of at least three members to be appointed by the Selectmen for three year overlapping terms, to be assisted by the Harbormaster, the Shellfish Warden, the Health/Conservation Officer and other Town officials as directed by the Town Administrator, the Board to have such duties as the Selectmen may specify but including the following:

1. The creation of a Harbor Management Plan.
2. The continuous review and updating of the Shellfish Management Plan and Harbor Management Plan.
3. The identification of the natural resources within the Town of significant importance --vistas, wildlife habitats, recreational open spaces, areas of special beauty, rarity, or historic interest, fauna and flora, especially endangered species, etc.-- and appropriate action as may be possible to preserve and protect these resources

Proposed Charter

Voted: to create a Natural Resources Advisory Board of at least five members to be appointed by the Selectboard for three year overlapping terms, to be assisted by the Selectboard, Town Administrator & Town Officials and Town Boards as needed. The Committee to have such duties as the Selectboard may specify but including the following

1. The creation of a Harbor Management Plan and a Ponds Management Plan, each on roughly a ten year cycle.
2. Work with the Town and Town committees for follow-up to implement the Harbor & Ponds plans.
3. The identification of the natural resources within the Town of significant importance --vistas, wildlife habitats, recreational open spaces, areas of special beauty, rarity, or historic interest, fauna and flora, especially endangered species, etc.-- and appropriate action as may be possible to preserve and protect these resources