Shellfish Advisory Board Meeting Minutes

April 6, 2022

Zoom Meeting

Attended: Rebecca Taylor, John Duane, Damian Parkington, Stephen Pickard, Tom Siggia

Absent: Zack Dixon

Others in attendance: Paul Wittenstein, Martha Craig, Ethan Estey, Helen Miranda Wilson, Rick Sawyer, Chris Manulla, John Mankevetch

Rebecca Taylor called the meeting to order at 6:04 PM

Damian will be voting tonight.

Minutes of February 9 and March 10 Meeting

T. Siggia made motion to approve March 10 meeting minutes as written, R. Taylor 2nd, all in favor 5-0.

R. Taylor made motion to approve February 9 meeting minutes as written, T. Siggia 2nd, all in favor 5-0.

Herring River Update

M. Craig updated us on the progress on the Herring River project. Requested a letter of support be sent to the Truro and Wellfleet Conservation Commissions.

R. Taylor made motion to send J. Duane letter with changes per conversation, T. Siggia 2nd, all in favor 5-0. Letter will be directed to both Conservation Commissions and Selectboards will be copied.

Review proposed HDYLTA grant (site visit)

R. Taylor started the discussion on site visit. The Shellfish department had the 3 possible scenarios staked out. This grant has a stream running through it. Harbormaster approved the ½
acre grant. C. Manulla made mention the site was better for oyster farming and felt clam farming might not succeed.

J. Mankevetch will get some opinions on whether the stream changes over the years using google maps and meeting with some local farmers.

This decision was tabled for next meeting.

**Beach Cleanup – April 23, 2022**

B. Brennessel discussed the event and history of beach cleanups in prior years. Barbara will take the lead in coordinating event. C. Manulla has secured the dumpster.

Barbara will reach out to Friends of Herring River, Chamber of Commerce, Recycle Committee, Wellfleet Bay Wildlife Sanctuary, Wellfleet Conservation Trust. The SAB and Shellfish department will participate.

T.Siggia made motion to have a Beach Cleanup day on April 23, R, Taylor 2\(^\text{nd}\), all in favor 5-0.

**Shellfish Update – Review and approve 15k revolving fund request**

J. Mankevetch reviewed the plan use of 15K revolving fund. Purchase contaminated quahog relay as the department has done before. Good success in both Chipman’s Cove and the town’s recreational site.

T.Siggia made motion to approve revolving fund 15k request, S. Pickard 2\(^\text{nd}\), all in favor 5-0.

**Future Topics: Beach Nourishment, appeal period for forfeited license, commercial permits for dragging and dredging, annual budget, ARC**

Next SAB Meeting is May 11 at 6PM

Meeting adjourned at 7:14PM