

Town Shellfish Crier Thursday, October 7, 2021

1. COVID Relief for Shellfish Farmers

Barnstable County and the National Sea Grant Funding Program (MIT Sea Grant and Woods Hole Sea Grant) have sent out applications to towns for COVID-19 Response Funding, which will support municipal propagation programs and give funds to assist shellfish farmers who have been negatively impacted by the pandemic. It is the Wellfleet Shellfish Department's goal to use the funding to purchase legal sized, 3-inch+ oysters at \$0.50/oyster from grant holders to then plant in the Indian Neck recreational only shellfishing area.

We are eligible to receive up to \$10,000 for our proposal, and we are reaching out to see who is interested in participating. To increase the strength of our proposal, we need to include names of growers who have agreed to sell us their product. We also need to know why you have the excess oysters...is it due to leftovers that grew too big during COVID, or markets that weren't as strong as before COVID, or anything else COVID-related that has affected your business? **IF YOU ARE INTERESTED, PLEASE LET US KNOW BY MONDAY, OCTOBER 11TH, AS PROPOSALS ARE DUE FRIDAY, OCTOBER 15TH.**

2. Shellfish Advisory Board Meeting this Friday, Oct. 8 at 1 p.m. via Zoom Agenda:

1. Discuss the upcoming select board meeting topic:

"In accordance with MGL Chapter 130 Sections 52, 57, 58, 60, and 68 and all applicable Town Shellfish Regulations, notice is hereby given that the Wellfleet Selectboard will hold a virtual public hearing on Tuesday, October 12, 2021, at 7:00 p.m. to discuss boundary issues between licensed grant holders with regards to Sections 7.5 <u>Conditions for Use of Area Licensed for Aquaculture</u>, 7.19.1 <u>Grants Shall Be Marked</u> and 7.23 <u>Extension of Acreage Without Permission</u>."

2. WSD – Nancy Civetta

Vote on WSD using up to \$10,000 of Revolving Fund for Propagation as matching funds for another Barnstable County Covid relief grant.

This meeting will be held virtually via Zoom Video Conference, in accordance with the temporary suspension and enhancement of the Open Meeting Law requirements by Governor Baker. Instructions for a Zoom video conference meeting, which also allows phone dial-in, are given below. If you have technical difficulties joining a Zoom meeting, please call 774-392-1457. Join Zoom Meeting:

https://zoom.us/j/94214261094?pwd=NW5FbVFCUTZZVzZaUldydjNMZ1IYZz09

o Meeting ID: 942 1426 1094

o Passcode: 136251

o Join by Phone: +1 929 205 6099

Contact Nancy at <u>nancy.civetta@wellfleet-ma.gov</u> or 617-901-7193 with ideas on how the Shellfish Department can help or improve shellfishing. Thank you!

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