



**Town Shellfish Crier  
February 25, 2022**

**1. Mass. Division of Marine Fisheries to Hold Shellfish Advisory Panel Meeting**

The Mass. Division of Marine Fisheries will hold a Shellfish Advisory Panel Meeting on **Tuesday, March 1, 2022, at 9 a.m.**

Zoom link: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81795461332>

Zoom Dial In: 1 929 436 2866

Webinar ID: 817 9546 1332

**AGENDA**

1. Opening Statement from DMF Director (9:00 – 9:15)
2. DMF Update including personnel changes (9:15 – 9:30)
3. Update on Virtual Shellfish Constable Training Course (9:30 – 10:30)
4. Proposed survey of municipalities regarding transfer of aquaculture licenses (10:30 – 11:00)
5. DMF policy clarifying value added processed non-conforming quahogs in commerce (11:00 – 11:30)
6. Other business and panel member comments (11:30 – 12:00)

All times provided are approximate and the meeting agenda is subject to change. The Shellfish Advisory Panel may amend the agenda at the start of the business meeting.

**2. Conservation Commission Hearing on Wednesday, Mar. 2, 2022, at 5 p.m.**

Agenda items of interest are:

- MA Audubon, Map 41, Parcel 182, RDA, fill road with 2" sand at east and end of Lt. Island Road causeway;
- Prager, 376 & 400 King Phillip Road, Map 35, Parcels 184 and 185, NOI, living shoreline and bank stabilization; and
- Mordacai, 374 King Phillip Rd., Map 35, Parcel 182, NOI, Install a living shoreline (Cont'd)

The Audubon hearing is about filling in the puddle in the access road to the South Lieutenant Island shellfishing area, which commercial wild fishermen might be interested in, and the other two are about proposed erosion solutions for two houses on King Phillip Rd., which shellfishermen with grants on Indian Neck and Field Point who have been affected by sand migration might find of interest.

As a reminder, the Shellfish and Conservation departments are working together to determine best ways to accomplish required beach nourishment while respecting the potential impacts to shellfish farms operating in the areas where the sand may migrate. We are hoping to schedule a joint Shellfish Advisory Board and Conservation Commission meeting this spring to discuss this in more detail.

Zoom Link:

<https://zoom.us/j/92807983538?pwd=YUhRYmNGOG9NZ09FaGlSSWljMmsvUT09>

Meeting ID: 928 0798 3538 - Passcode: 021745 - Phone: 929 205 6099

### **3. Cold Shocked Terrapin Rescue Tips**

Due to a recent influx in calls from the public about what to do when you find a cold-stunned diamondback terrapin on the beach, here are some key points to remember:

1. Keep the terrapin cool, around 50°F, do not warm them.
2. Don't put them back in the water, it's still too cold.
3. Let Mass Audubon/Wellfleet Bay Wildlife Sanctuary know when the terrapin was found.

Call 508-349-2615 and press 8 or dial ext. 6104 to be connected with the turtle hotline.

Like last year, Mass Audubon is sending all of the live terrapins to the Cape Wildlife Center in Cummaquid so they can continue to collect blood samples and do analysis.

### **4. Summer Job Opportunity with Mass Oyster Project**

Mass Oyster Project is looking for someone to help oversee the restaurant shell recycling program on the Outer Cape. The commitment is minimal, only 3-5 hours a week, and involves coordinating and recording shell collection pick-ups. Learn more about the position and job description [here](#). If you or someone you know is interested in this position, please email [sarah@massoyster.org](mailto:sarah@massoyster.org) for more information.

Contact Nancy at [nancy.civetta@wellfleet-ma.gov](mailto:nancy.civetta@wellfleet-ma.gov) or 617-901-7193 with ideas on how the Shellfish Department can help or improve shellfishing. Thank you!

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