



**Town Shellfish Crier**  
**April 20, 2021**

**1. Shellfish Advisory Board meeting, tomorrow, April 20, at 6:30 p.m.**

If you are interested in attending, please let the Shellfish Dept. know (508-349-0325) and we will set up the Zoom computer here at our offices. If you don't RSVP and you come to the office and we are not here, please call Nancy at 617-901-7193. You can also simply call in to the meeting by dialing: +1 929 205 6099 and entering the Meeting ID: 942 1426 1094 and Passcode: 136251.

**Agenda**

Warrant articles to review and vote on.

- a.) Agricultural Commission - (Right to Farm) - Mike DeVasto.
- b.) NRAB - Support funding of \$60k for Curley Report - John Riehl.
- c.) NRAB - Dredging Alternatives - John Riehl.
- d.) Blackfish Creek and Spring Brook Marsh Properties – Bruce Hurter.
- e.) Open space article for 2021 - Indian Neck. (parcels 80,82,239 on map 28) - Bruce Hunter.
- f.) Shellfish Department FY22 Budget and WSD CIP part-time seasonal shellfish deputy - Nancy Civetta.
- g.) Pre-school voucher program - all
- h.) Animal control - all

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. To join Zoom Meeting, click here:

<https://zoom.us/j/94214261094?pwd=NW5FbVFCUTZZVzZaUldyZjNMZ1lYZz09>

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**2. Watch the April 8 Shellfish Advisory Board meeting**

Click here to watch the April 8 Shellfish Advisory Board meeting:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=sPINsz-HC3U>

Two agenda items generated good discussion: the addition of 7.6.1 Application Procedure to the Town of Wellfleet's Shellfishing Policy and Regulations was approved as was the addition of a Domicile Hardship Exception. **In addition, it was agreed that a community-wide discussion on the expansion of aquaculture in Wellfleet should be had in the near future to balance all harbor users' interests in decision-making.**

### 3. Wellfleet S.P.A.T. Still Has Funds Available to Help Wellfleet's Shellfishermen

[Wellfleet S.P.A.T.](#) has established the Wellfleet Shellfish Harvester Relief Fund to support Wellfleet's shellfishing families with essential household expenses (rent, mortgage, utilities, etc.) during times of crisis. S.P.A.T. has partnered with [Lower Cape Outreach Council](#) to administer the fund. To learn more about the Wellfleet Shellfish Harvester Relief Fund or apply, click here: [https://lcoutreach.org/wellfleet-shellfish-harvester-relief-fund/?fbclid=IwAR3AC-XBtcGHxGAScSWKZDXelwA\\_Slz5J7nrmM1V1t7\\_Chnc9MHkpfF-gKI](https://lcoutreach.org/wellfleet-shellfish-harvester-relief-fund/?fbclid=IwAR3AC-XBtcGHxGAScSWKZDXelwA_Slz5J7nrmM1V1t7_Chnc9MHkpfF-gKI)

### 4. Wellfleet Shellfish Department Annual Report

We had a very busy year in 2020, even with the COVID-19 pandemic. We captured the highlights in our Annual Report and wanted to share our efforts with you. A condensed version will appear in the 2020 Annual Town Report as well. See [full report here](#). We also post our monthly reports [here](#), although we are behind on 2021, so keep checking back!

### 5. Reminders!

- a.) Chipman's Cove and Duck Creek will close to shellfishing on Friday, April 30, a half hour after sunset.
- b.) Vibrio control season begins on May 19 and ends on Oct. 19.
- c.) Grantholders:
  - a. 2020 grant reports and 2021 grant fees were due on February 28. There are still more than two dozen people who have not turned theirs in. Please turn these in to Jeanne MacLauchlan in Town Hall by April 30. Call her to make arrangements: 508-349-0300 x1101. Call us if you have any problems: 508-349-0325. Thank you.
  - b. **Grant inspections will begin soon because there are good tides at the end of the month. We will be bringing our GPS to check your buoys, and you'll need to have all your racks, bags, condos, trays, cages, etc. tagged. Let us know if you have any concerns: 508-349-0325.**

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, especially during the COVID-19 pandemic. Thank you!

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