



Town Shellfish Crier
August 30, 2023

1. Application Period Opens Thursday, August 31, 2023, for Wellfleet Selectboard's Lottery of Five Grants on October 17, 2023, at 7 p.m., Hybrid Meeting: Wellfleet Adult Community Center and via Zoom

The Wellfleet Selectboard will hold a hybrid public meeting on October 17, 2023, at 7:00 p.m. to conduct lotteries for five shellfish grants: #[851](#) on Field Point and #s [01-06-B1](#), [01-06-B2](#), [792-B1](#), and [792-B2](#) in the deep-water area off Indian Neck. See announcement [here](#).

Each grant number above links to the announcement and instructions, application and five-year business plan, and two different maps. Please read and download ALL documents. You will need to fill out and submit paperwork for each grant you would like to apply for. The lottery will be conducted one-by-one in the above order. If your name is drawn in one grant lottery, it will not be entered in subsequent grant lotteries.

On Thursday, August 31, the Shellfish Department will have applications printed out and available at their office at the pier. Applications are available to download from the Town of Wellfleet website on the Shellfish Dept. webpage, as described above. Applications and the required supporting documentation must be delivered to Shellfish Constable Nancy Civetta directly or emailed to Nancy.civetta@wellfleet-ma.gov by the **deadline of Friday, September 29, at 4:00 p.m.** No exceptions will be made.

Any individual who submitted an application for the lotteries that took place on December 20, 2022, only needs to fill out the application and submit it with a five-year business plan for each grant they would like to apply for. No further back-up documentation is necessary, as the Shellfish Department still has it on file.

Wellfleet Selectboard Public Lottery for Aquaculture Grants: October 17, 2023, 7:00 p.m.

In person: 715 Old King's Highway (Adult Community Center)

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/85689604806?pwd=blplVFFBZzViQ0xNWkZKMm9iMVdrdz09>
Meeting ID: 856 8960 4806 ~ Passcode: 611877 ~ Phone: 929 205 6099

2. Selectboard to Hold Public Hearing on Potential Revisions to the Wellfleet Shellfishing Policy and Regulations with Regards to Corporations and Other Business Entities Being Named to Shellfish Grant Licenses on Tuesday, September 5, 2023, at 7 p.m.

In accordance with MGL Chapter 130 Sections 52, 53, 57, 58, 59, 60, 69, 80 and 98 and all applicable Town Shellfish Regulations, notice is hereby given that the Wellfleet Selectboard will hold a hybrid public hearing on September 5, 2023, at 7:00 p.m. to consider the following:

To amend the Town of Wellfleet Shellfishing Policy and Regulations in Section 1. Definitions, Section 4. General Regulations, Section 5. Noncommercial Shellfishing, Section 6. Commercial Shellfishing, Section 7. Shellfish Aquaculture and Section 11. Enforcement.

Recommendation of the Shellfish Constable will be available in the September 5, 2023, Selectboard's packet. The three WSD documents can also be found at the following links:

[Memo 8-29-2023](#)

[Memo 8-15-2023](#)

[Proposed Regulations with potential corporation sections highlighted](#)

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3. Herring River (CCB12) Closes at Sunset This Thursday, August 31

The Herring River will close at sunset on August 31 for the year. The Shellfish Department will continue to work closely with Mass. Division of Marine Fisheries on monitoring water quality there through the winter months.

4. Lieutenant Island South Audubon Access

Just before July 4 this year, some joy-riders tore up the marsh on the sand road leading to the Audubon shellfishing area (on the left before the bridge). They went around the corner and got stuck. They used plywood to get themselves out and left the plywood there. This wasn't the first time that cars got stuck down there and destroyed areas of the marsh, and there has been joy-riding at night documented, too.

Audubon knows that it was not shellfishermen, but in order to protect the marsh, they put a rope across the entrance. The Shellfish Department worked closely with them to ensure shellfishing access. There is currently a combination lock on the right post. Anyone interested in harvesting clams there (oystering is closed until October 1) should contact the Shellfish Department for the combination. We will let Audubon know the names of those who have the combination. Audubon is requesting that you lock the entrance both when entering and leaving please. They will take the lock off and open the entrance before October 1, when the area re-opens to oyster harvest. Use of and impact to the area will continue be monitored.

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