



TOWN OF TRURO
Shellfish Advisory Committee
P.O. Box 2030, Truro, MA 02666-2030

TRURO SHELLFISH ADVISORY COMMITTEE (SAC) MINUTES

THURSDAY JULY 20, 2023 - 2:00 PM. IN-PERSON MEETING

SAC MEMBERS PRESENT: Dan Smith (Chair), Gary Sharpless (Vice-Chair), Nick Brown, Mark Wisotzky, Chris Clark, Steve Mundree (alternate), Jim Sloman (alternate)

SAC MEMBERS ABSENT:

OTHERS PRESENT: Tony Jackett – Truro Shellfish Constable

CALL TO ORDER 2:02 pm

Dan started the meeting by thanking current members for electing to continue to serve for another term and welcomed two new members, Steve Mundree and Jim Sloman.

REVIEW AND APPROVE APRIL 2022 MEETING MINUTES: A motion to approve the April 2023 meeting minutes was made by Mark and seconded by Nick. Motion carried 5-0-0.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS: Gary made a motion to nominate Dan for another term as Chair, Nick seconded. Motion carried 5-0-0. Mark made a motion to nominate Gary for another term as Vice Chair, Nick seconded and the motion carried 5-0-0. Dan made a motion to nominate Chris for another term as Secretary, Nick seconded and the motion carried 5-0-0.

REVIEW & UPDATE TRURO SHELLFISH RULES & REGULATIONS: The committee reviewed the updated “Regulations For The Taking of Shellfish, Sea Worms, Eels and Crabs” based upon our prior meeting. Discussion ensued regarding the fees. Mark made a motion to leave the fees as updated, Nick seconded and the motion carried 4-1-0. Gary made a motion to approve the changes and updates from the prior meeting, Mark seconded and the motion carried 5-0-0. Dan will provide a red-lined version for the Select Board to review and potentially approve. Dan asked Gary to update the FAQ’s based upon the new recreational regulations.

UPDATE ON SHELLFISH INVENTORIES IN THE PAMET & RESTOCKING PLANS: Tony enumerated both what has already occurred and plans for 2023 and the spring of 2024. In May 2023, the Pamet Harbor was seeded with approximately 150,000 quahogs from the Taunton River. In addition, Tony purchased approximately 100,000 3mm quahog seed and has it growing

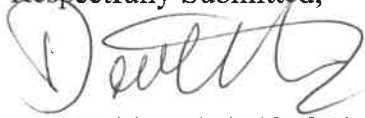
in bags in the Pamet. A remote set of oysters will also be spread around the Pamet Harbor – estimated to be approximately 50,000 oysters. He noted that the steamers remain abundant. Discussion ensued about potentially planting more steamers in other locations. This will be considered in the future.

OTHER NEW BUSINESS:

AGENDA ITEMS FOR NEXT MEETING: Review of the Commercial Shellfish Regulations, update on current status of the ADA Grants and Review of the updated FAQ's.

MOTION TO ADJOURN. 3:25 PM. Moved Nick, second Mark. Motion carried 5-0-0.

Respectfully Submitted,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read 'Dan Smith', is written over a faint, circular official stamp.

Dan Smith on behalf of Chris Clark - Secretary

