

**Regular Monthly Truro Shellfish Meeting**  
**April 8, 2014**

**Members present:** Tom Kane, Nick Brown, Scott Lindell, Steve Wisbauer, Tony Jackett (Shellfish Constable).

**Members of the Public Present:** Dan.

**Previous Minutes from October and January:** Nick made a motion to approve minutes from 10/11/13, Tom seconded, and the motion passed unanimously. January minutes were not approved due to a lack of quorum.

**Discussion of correspondence and meetings with the DMF regarding the ADA:** The DMF has allowed the go ahead. Any grant holder needs to submit plans with diagrams so the DMF can see exactly what's going in the water. Erin Burke will review and approve the submitted plans. Steve will (hopefully) be in the water within the next month or two.

**Discussion of allowable commercial use and pilot demonstration in the ADA.**

Anyone who has acquired a license will be allowed to use floating gear. We will hold off on issuing more licenses until we see how the "pilot" works. We still encourage applications and can establish a "waiting list". All licenses are contingent on the decision of the DMF.

**Discussion of possible research in the ADA:** Owen Nichols (Center for Coastal Studies) and Scott Lindell (MBL) received a NOAA Saltonstall-Kennedy grant for ~\$100,000. The money will be used for research on lines, acoustic releases, and anchoring requirements, and compare different growing techniques (surface growth versus bottom growth, etc.).

**Discussion of proposed sea clam relay:** We need to go before the selectmen and request a public hearing to approve the clam relay. We will need local approval to move forward. As long as the clams are placed in approved waters, there shouldn't be an issue. The clams would be placed along the Truro coast in shallow waters.

**Discussion of approval letter for combining the harbormaster and shellfish warden position:**

The committee feels this would be a good move. It would be more efficient to combine the two jobs. Steve made a **motion** to write a letter to the BOS to support the combined position of the harbormaster and shellfish warden. Nick Seconded the motion and agreed to write a letter on behalf of the Committee. The **Motion** passed unanimously.

Nick made a **motion** to adjourn due to making the BOS meeting at 5:00PM. Steve **seconded** the motion, and the meeting adjourned at 4:57PM.

