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Shellfish Committee Notes of the Meeting

DATE: May 17, 2017 TIME: 7:30

LOCATION: Senior Center, 825 Falmouth Road, Hyannis

DUE TO A LACK OF A QUORUM, THIS MEETING IS INFORMATIONAL ONLY

Shellfish Committee Members present: Chairman: Stuart Rapp, Richard Haskell, William Shumway, Albert Surprenant

<u>Shellfish Committee Members absent:</u> Linda Romano, Andre Sampou, Richard Haskell, Gerard Ganey, Robert Lancaster, Ron Glance

Town Council Liaison present: Phil Wallace

Town Staff present: Tom Marcotti, Chris Nappi, Liz Lewis and Pam Swider-Cohen

Stuart Rapp chaired the May 17, 2017 meeting of the Shellfish Committee. Stuart Rapp took a roll call of members present at the meeting. Stuart Rapp read a notice at the beginning of the meeting: *NOTICE OF RECORDING* "Please note that tonight's meeting is recorded and broadcast on Channel 18 and, in accordance with MGL Chapter 30A, s. 20, I must inquire whether anyone is taping this meeting and to please make their presence known."

1.) Chairman's comments:

Stuart Rapp on behalf of the shellfish committee passes along condolences to the family of Ron Glantz who sadly passed away this winter.

As we do not have a quorum, we will not be able to vote on the April 19, 2017 meeting minutes.

2.) <u>Meeting minutes:</u>

April 19, 2017 meeting minutes are not available and will be moved to the next meeting agenda.

3.) <u>Natural Resource Propagation Report:</u>

Tom Marcotti informed the Committee of the seasonal closures effective May 1st which are in the Shellfish Regulations as seasonal closures in the Three Bays Area:

- North Bay DMF/SC 23.2
- Marstons Mills River DMF/SC 23.1

- Prince Cove DMF/SC 23.1
- Pirate's Cove / Seapuit River DMF/SC 21.2
- Mill Creek, Hallet's Pond DMF/CCB 29.0

Shoestring Bay DMF/SC20.3 also closed April 1, 2017, which is due to water quality. Shoestring Bay gets polluted and we are directed by Department of Marine Fisheries (DMF) to close the area.

Contaminated quahogs relay will be loaded to the – **Bluff Point Relay Area DMF/SC21.20** area which will close on May 1, 2017. Approximately 75 bushels of contaminated quahogs will be placed. The relay area will expect to be opened in late September. We have been promoting more "home grown" quahogs rather than relays thanks to Liz Lewis our shellfish technician.

Lewis stated that she is waiting on the electricity to be turned back on at Prince Cove for the FLYPSY. The 15th annual Clamming Class for Kids will be held on Saturday, June 24th at 7 a.m. at Bridge Street in Osterville. We have kid sized rakes for the class and the volunteers to stock the area. The classes are free and open to all ages. A shellfish license is not required unless you want to take what you catch. Some times a volunteer will share their catch. Lewis also stated that a recreational area of Handy Point will be opening May 23rd. The signs will be posted to show the open area.

4.) Old Business: None

5.) <u>New Business:</u> None

6.) Matters Not Reasonably Anticipated by the Chair: None

The Shellfish Committee meeting adjourned at 7:52 p.m.

Next Meeting will be held at the Senior Center, 825 Falmouth Road, Hyannis on July 19, 2017 at 7:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Pam Swider-Cohen, Division Assistant