

MINUTES

SHELLFISH CONSERVATION COMMISSION

Tuesday, February 13, 2024 – 6:30 p.m.

Town Hall – Chamber A

Item 1. Call to Order. Noah Nygren, Chair Called the meeting to order at 6:50 p.m. [The Coastal Waters/Harbor Committee ran over their time and the Committee needed a quorum.]

Item 2: Those Present. Noah Nygren, Chair – via zoom, Paul Erickson – via zoom, Travis Turner, Liam Erikson, Councilor Liaison Don Hamill and Marine Resource Officer Gene O’Neill

Item 3. Approval of Minutes: December 12, 2023. Motion by L. Erickson, seconded by T. Turner, to move approval of the December 12, 2023 minutes. Vote was unanimous.

Item 4. Harbor Master’s Report. An update was given about the dredge and cranes.

Item 5: Council Liaison’s Report. Councilor Hamill gave an update on the Pine Point area and the new association that had just formed.

Item 6: Old Business. None at this time.

Item 7: New Business. *[An item may be added to this agenda provided a majority of the committee votes to waive the rules to add said item.]*

- **Presentation of 2023 recruitment data by the Downeast Institute:** Sara Randall, Associate Director of the Downeast Institute, presented a power-point presentation to the Commission, showing Scarborough’s results on the Clam Recruitment Monitoring Network. This presentation will be available for review with the Town Clerk.
- **Presentation on sea level rise and clam flat impact by Manomet:** Emily Farr, Senior Fisheries Program Manager, presented a power-point presentation to the Commission, showing the impacts of sea level rise and coastal flooding on mudflats and shellfish co-management. She would also be sending out request to the shellfish license holders to see if anyone would be interested in having a conversation with her to discuss changes that they have observed on the mudflats in their time harvesting.

Item 8: Set Next Agenda. Nominations/elections of new officers.

Item 9. General Public Comments. None at this time.

Item 10: Item(s) For Working Document. None at this time.

Item 11: Adjournment. Motion by L. Erickson, seconded by T. Turner, to move approval to adjourn the meeting at 7:45 p.m.