

MINUTES
Shellfish Conservation Commission
Tuesday, November 18, 2025—6:30pm

Item 1. Call to Order. Noah Nygren called the meeting to order at 6:30pm

Item 2. Roll Call. Committee members Noah Nygren, Andy Blanchard, Liam Erickson, Terry Twomey, Jason Quirk, and Eric Quirk. Harbor Master Daryen Granata was also present.

Item 3. Approval of Minutes. Motion by Noah Nygren, seconded by Liam Erickson, to move approval of the September 9, 2025 meeting minutes as written.

Vote: # 6 Yeas. Motion Passes.

Item 4. Harbor Master's Report. Harbor Master Daryen Granata provided the following updates:

- All conservation time is complete.
- Last survey 10/29 Nonesuch River.
- Crab Traps need to be removed from flats.
- Approval from town counsel to install new dock/pile.
- Look at crab kill occurrences for next year. Consider adding more events during moulting season.
- April- Shellfish License Renewal.

Item 5. Council Liaison's Report. None. Absent from meeting.

Item 6. General Public Comment. No public comments were made

Item 7. Old Business. None at this time

Item 8. New Business.

Shellfish License Fees

The Town Clerk's office has requested that our committee assess current fees and ideas around adjusting fees in the future season.

How does it work with managing the money "raised" through license fee increases?

HM Granata looks into - Consider seeking info and procedure on having a shellfish special revenue account.

Consider the fees further in Jan/Feb/March meeting.

Motion by **Noah Nygren**, seconded by **Liam Erickson** to move approval of the recommended license fee increases as follows:

Vote: # Yeas. # Nays (who?). Motion Passes or Motion Fails.

2026 Conservation Year

Discussion On Crab Kill event numbers

5 Crab kills next conservation year

2026 License Allocations

License Allocation

Do we want to go up? Do we want to go down?

Should make a decision by December. Or a Vote by January. Needs to be in front of town counsel March.

Andy Motion: Motion to reduce license numbers by 1 license via attrition.

Seconded by Eric.

In favor- Unanimous.

Item 9. Future Meetings and Agenda Items.

- Shellfish License Fees
- 2026 Conservation Year

Item 10. Adjournment. Motion by **Noah Nygren**, seconded by **Jason** to move approval to adjourn the regular meeting of the Shellfish Conservation Commission.

Meeting adjourned at **7:26pm**

Respectfully submitted,

Liam Erickson