

## **Shellfish Conservation Committee**

**March 7, 2022**

**Bristol Town Office**

*Committee Members present: Scott Burke, Steve Lackovic, Ronald Poland*

*Also present: Dom Pucci*

The meeting was called to order at 6:35pm.

### **Minutes.**

On a motion by Lackovic and a second by Burke, all approved the minutes from the February 7 meeting.

### **Conservation.**

The Fish Committee has requested that the two committees split the costs of beaver resource management in the Pemaquid River. The Fish Committee will be responsible for the portion of Pemaquid River from Biscay Pond to Boyd's Pond; the Shellfish Committee will be responsible for the portion of Pemaquid River from Boyd's Pond to Pemaquid Falls. On a motion by Lackovic and seconded by Burke, all agreed to split costs of beaver management with the Fish Committee.

Building clam seed recruitment boxes was discussed.

### **Lower Pemaquid River Watershed Plan.**

Bizarro reported that the Maine Shellfish Restoration and Resilience Fund awarded the Shellfish Committee \$16,500 for continued work on the Watershed Plan. The committee would like FB Environmental to add dog DNA to water samples that are undergoing DNA testing.

### **Public Comment.**

Pucci reported seeing a lot of dead clams since 2021. He wasn't sure what the cause was and thought it might be weather conditions. He would like to buy some Quahog seeds from the Downeast Institute and transplant them in the Upper Pemaquid River near Drebelbis Point. A transplant permit is required from DMR. Pucci offered to buy and disperse the seed and to file the transplant permit. On a motion by Lackovic and seconded by Burke, all agreed to support Pucci with his efforts.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:55pm. The next meeting will be held on Monday, April 4, 2022 at 6:30pm at the Town Hall.

Respectfully Submitted,

Rachel Bizarro  
Shellfish Committee Secretary