## Shellfish Conservation Committee September 12, 2016 Bristol Town Hall

Committee Members present: Scott Burke, David Cheney, Mike Cheney, Steve Lackovic, Ronald Poland, Steve Termine.

The meeting was called to order at 7:04pm.

# **Committee Housekeeping.**

- Reviewed Shellfish Conservation Budget.
- Reviewed LCSO Invoice for warden services.

## Conservation.

- All agreed that conservation for 2017 should be centered on improving water quality.
- A Pollution Abatement Closure Application was filed with DMR in June for Schoolhouse Cove.
- Termine contacted PWA for water quality assistance on the Pemaquid River. They will contact Melissa Smith for more testing.
- Discussion about obtaining a depredation permit for culling geese.
- Reviewed conservation hours logged by commercial license holders for 2016.
- Discussion about trapping green crabs to reduce populations.

### Miscellaneous.

- Livestock from a nearby property owner was seen being cooled in the Pemaquid River off the Town Landing Road.
- Green crabs were seen in abundance in Poorhouse Cove.
- Reports of a lot of trash left on the flats by clam diggers.

### Decisions.

- On a motion made by M. Cheney and seconded by D. Cheney it was unanimously approved to repeal <u>only</u> the conservation closure at Schoolhouse cove on January 1, 2017.
- On a motion made by Burke and seconded by Termine it was unanimously approved to invite people short on their conservation hours to the next meeting.

Meeting adjourned at 9:05pm. The next meeting will be held on October 3 @ 7pm. Agenda items to include: 2017 license fees & allocation, conservation

Respectfully submitted, Rachel Bizarro Staff liaison