Shellfish Conservation Committee January 7, 2019 Bristol Town Hall

Committee Members present: Scott Burke, Steve Lackovic, Ronald Poland, Steve Termine Also present: Lindsay Currier

The meeting was called to order at 6:02pm.

Minutes.

On a motion by Lackovic and seconded by Poland, the minutes from January, February, March, April, May and December 2018 were unanimously approved.

Conservation.

Tentative dates of April 13 & 14 were set for spring conservation. Relocation of seed oysters from Damariscotta River to Pemaquid River (above Drebelbis Point) was discussed. It is hoped that the oysters will filter enough water to curtail pollutants entering the estuary via freshwater streams and coastal run-off.

After some discussion, it was agreed to keep Schoolhouse Cove under conservation closure. This will be reconsidered at the February meeting.

Grant.

The grant proposal that Cheney had written was reviewed.

On a motion by Lackovic and seconded by Termine, the committee unanimously agreed to have Rachel & Lindsay do some final touch-ups to the proposal. There was discussion and suggestions as to what information would be beneficial to include in the proposal. Such as; # of commercial licenses issued each year, recreational uses of the Pemaquid River, predator control already completed by the committee.

Adjournment at 7:30pm. The next meeting will be held on February 4 @ 6pm.

Respectfully submitted, Rachel Bizarro