Shellfish Conservation Committee February 4, 2019 Bristol Town Hall

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

The meeting was called to order at 6:12pm.

Minutes.

On a motion by Lackovic and seconded by Poland, the minutes from January 2019 were unanimously approved.

Conservation.

Collecting spat in Schoolhouse Cove was proposed for conservation work. Lackovic thought H. Annis may have boxes that could be borrowed and Poland thought they would be easy enough to make. The boxes would be put in place in May with care given to keep predators out. After collection, it may be a possibility to have Cheney keep the clams over the winter months.

Any supplies bought for constructing the boxes would be reimbursed from the shellfish conservation account.

After discussion, it was agreed to keep Schoolhouse Cove under conservation closure until further notice.

Lackovic reported that Cheney had inquired with DMR about relocating oysters to Upper Pemaquid River. Unfortunately Cheney heard conflicting statements as to whether this could be done.

Grant.

The Maine Shellfish Restoration and Resilience Project grant request that was submitted January 17 was reviewed. Point of contact for the grant will be Rachel.

Miscellaneous.

Results of the lottery were reviewed. B. Barter had contacted Poland about Shellfish Warden work. Worksheets for the Annual Management Review were handed out.

Adjournment at 7:00pm. The next meeting will be held on March 4 @ 6pm.

Respectfully submitted, Rachel Bizarro