

Shellfish Conservation Committee

April 1, 2024

Bristol Town Hall

Committee Members present: Steve Termine, Steve Lackovic, Dave Cheney

Others present: Jess Bourne-Town Staff Liaison, Jen Casad, Sean Corcoran

On a motion by Lackovic and seconded by Termine the meeting was called to order at 6:13pm

Minutes:

On a motion by Lackovic and seconded by Termine all approved the March minutes as written.

Conservation Hours:

None to record since last meeting.

Public Comment:

Sean Corcoran is planning to submit an LPA application; he is attending this meeting to obtain a signature from the shellfish committee chair. The proposed location of the LPA is the East side of the Eastern Branch, West of Gentle Cove.

There was a short discussion on the potential impacts of the LPA on other commercial fisheries. Discussion was had about conferring with other town officials such as Harbor Masters, Corcoran stated that John Stolecki has already signed off on the LPA application. There was further discussion about the depth of water during various tides in the area as well as the specifics of the location.

Steve Lackovic will go to look at the area on the upcoming tides prior to signing off on the LPA application.

Reelection of Officers:

Steve Termine nominated Steve Lackovic for Chair, seconded by Dave Cheney, all approve.

Steve Lackovic nominated Dave Cheney for Vice Chair, seconded by Steve Termine, all approve.

Vibrio Information from DMR:

Jess made the committee aware of updated Vibrio information from DMR

Water Quality Triennial Review:

Jess made the committee aware of an email from the Maine DEP Water Quality Standards Coordinator re: the ability to make proposals to the DEP for changes to water

quality standards, including the water quality classification of specific surface waters. The committee does not have any specific recommendations currently.

Old Business:

Population Surveys, who, when where:

Jen Casad will coordinate with Jay Turnure from DMR, once a date/time/location is set Jen will notify Jess so a notice can be published in the Lincoln County News.

Planning for Committee/Municipal LPAs:

Committee discussed needing to go out to the proposed area to document coordinates/measurements to start the LPA application process

On a motion by Steve Lackovic and seconded by Steve Termine the meeting was adjourned at 8:05pm

The next meeting will be held on Monday, May 1, 2024 at 7pm at the Bristol Town Office.

Respectfully Submitted,

Jess Bourne
Shellfish Committee Secretary