

Shellfish Conservation Committee
February 6, 2017
Bristol Town Hall

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

The meeting was called to order at 6:09pm.

Minutes.

On a motion made by Lackovic and seconded by Termine, the minutes of the January meeting were unanimously approved.

DMR status of Pemaquid River.

The committee learned that M. Smith, a DMR water quality monitor for the Bristol area, has a new position within DMR. She reported to the committee that DMR has nominated Pemaquid River for the DEP's list of waterways with impaired water quality. She suggested forming a working partnership with PWA. She explained that 319 grants (which were established in amendments to the Clean Water Act in 1987) were available from the EPA and that partnering with PWA could be helpful with the grant writing process.

Committee will request most recent test scores from DMR, talk with the Harbormaster about people living on boats during the summer months, and continue with wildlife (geese/beaver) removal efforts.

Conservation.

A suggestion to relocate oysters to the upper portion of Pemaquid River was reviewed.

A suggestion for commercial license holders to pay for their conservation work was discussed. Poland will invite H. Annis, DMR area biologist, to the next meeting to discuss options and ordinance amendments.

Other Business.

It was unanimously approved to have Eugene Carter serve as a Shellfish Committee Alternate.

All agreed to have the March meeting start @ 6pm, the April and May meetings will start @ 7pm.

Adjournment at 7:13pm

The next meeting will be held on March 6 @ 6pm.

Agenda items to include: Hannah Annis, DMR area biologist.

Respectfully submitted,
Rachel Bizarro
Staff liaison