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MEETING AGENDA

January 4, 2023, 7 p.m.

Brunswick Town Hall
85 Union Street

Minutes

Warden Report

- Winter Conditions
- Storm Related Damage
- Conservation Report

Upcoming Meetings

- [Maine Fishermen's Forum March 2, 3 and 4 \(Rockland\)](#)

AGENDA

ELECTIONS

- 1) 2023 Field Projects & Schedule (Devereaux)
- 2) Outdoor Heritage Grant Application (Devereaux)
- 3) 2023/24 Shellfish Inventory Survey (Devereaux)
- 4) 2023 Conservation Closures (Consideration)
- 5) New/Old Business

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**Brunswick Marine Resources Committee
Action Minutes
Zoom / In-Person Meeting
December 7, 2022**

Marine Resources Committee Members Present: Chair Cody Gillis, Vice Chair Susan Olcott, Marko Melendy, Camden Rice and Anthony Yuodsnukis,

Members Absent: Peter Milligan, Tim Johnson and Sam Cassidy (Non-voting, Student Representative)

Staff Present: Dan Devereaux, Costal Resource Manager; Dan Sylvain, Marine Warden / Harbor Master

A meeting of the Brunswick Marine Resources Committee was held on Wednesday, December 7, 2022, at Town Hall, 85 Union Street, Council Chambers. Chair Cody Gillis called the meeting to order at 7:00 P.M.

Minutes for 9/2/22, 10/5/22 & 11/2/22:

MOTION ANTHONY YUODSNUKIS BY TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF SEPTEMBER 2, 2022, OCTOBER 5, 2022, AND NOVEMBER 11, 2022. MOTION SECONDED BY SUSAN OLCOTT, APPROVED UNANIMOUSLY AMONG THOSE PRESENT.

Wardens Report:

- Conservation Activities: Reminder that 10 points are needed. The deadline is February 15, 2023.
- Airboat Stakeholder Group Update: MWH Sylvain stated that between August 24th thru November 29th there were 39 complaint calls; 1 complaint in Harpswell, 2 in Brunswick and the rest were in Freeport. Keep up the good work. The next meeting will be held in late January, early February 2023.
- Casco Bay Regional Shellfish Working Group: CRO Deveraux provided an overview of the CBRSWG meeting and access plan.

Upcoming Meetings:

- Shellfish Advisory Council 2022 Quarter 4 meeting | Department of Marine Resources (maine.gov), December 14th at 1:00 P.M.
 - Maine Fishermen's Forum March 2, 3 and 4 (Rockland)
1. Winter Quahog Closure Confirmation (Warden Sylvain): The form was submitted and has been approved. This closure is set for December 15th.
Ray Trombley, harvester would like to see the closure postponed for quahogs until December 31st.

MOTION BY ANTHONY YUODSNUKIS TO BEGIN THE WINTER QUAHOG CLOSURE ON JANUARY 1, 2023 AND END ON MARCH 31, 2023. MOTION SECONDED BY PETER MILLIGAN, APPROVED UNANIMOUSLY.

2. Quahog Research LPA (Rocky Point) (Manomet): CRO Deveraux provided an overview of the Manomet LPA project that they received a grant to conduct. This project will consist of a couple of nets and a couple of bags laid on top of the mud. They are hoping to get this started in the 2023 growing season.

MOTION BY CAMDEN RICE TO APPROVE THE QUAHOG RESEARCH LPA APPLICATION AT ROCKY POINT. MOTION SECONDED BY ANTHONY YUODSNUKIS, APPROVED UNANIMOUSLY.

Susan Olcott asked if there has been any progress on purchasing an upweller. CRO Deveraux replied that they have begun discussions with the people at Gurnet Village who would like to work in conjunction with the municipality to establish an upweller in that location.

George Bernier, harvester asked about joint efforts with Harpswell. CRO Deveraux stated that he can reach out to Paul Plummer to begin discussions.

3. 2023 Shellfish Licenses Allocations (Off Year) (Dan Deveraux): CRO Deveraux stated that typically in the off year they don't do much with the licenses; staff recommends that they leave licenses at the current numbers.

MOTION BY CAMDEN RICE TO LEAVE THE LICENSE ALLOCATIONS FOR 2023 AT 57 RESIDENT COMMERCIAL, 6 NON RESIDENT COMMERCIAL, 15 FOR STUDENT AND 2 NON-RESIDENT STUDENT. MOTION SECONDED BY ANTHONY YUODSNUKIS.

A harvester asked if the die off was taken into consideration. CRO Deveraux replied that there is over 700 acres in Maquoit Bay, only 4 were affected by the die off and the landing data shows no reason to make any changes to the license numbers.

MOTION APPROVED UNANIMOUSLY.

4. New/Old Business:
 - CRO Deveraux provided an overview of the presentation by Ali Clift of Cumberland Soil and Water District regarding pesticide and fertilizer ordinance and education per Marko Melendy's request.
 - George Bernier pointed out that Harpswell has recently decided to allow licensed harvesters to move out of town and retain their license. Freeport is also allowing this. He would like the Town of Brunswick to revisit this as an option.

Adjourned

This meeting was adjourned at 7:40 P.M.

Respectfully Submitted,

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Recording Secretary

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