

Clam Committee Minutes Deer Isle Town Hall May 22, 2019

1. Meeting called to order at 5:05 pm.
2. Reading and approval of previous meeting's minutes. Paul moved, Crystal second. All in favor, none opposed.
3. Report from Chair:

Water sampling training-room for six people. Will be at Lamoine State Park May 23rd at 2:00 pm.

Mike Thahauser is helping with Army Corp. permits. Haven't heard anything yet. When permit comes in, George will notify everyone about putting boxes in.

4. Report from Warden:

George Poundage (Herbie's idea). Put upper limit on size class in spring to save some for summer. TABLED

Raelene Issues: people are breaking glass at people's boats. Camera evidence.

People are taking down chains/rope and driving through.

Rumour: Hull's had 6 wardens with a bunch of short clams is UNTRUE.

Haven't given a summons lately because no one is out there.

Request from Herbie for a new 'disabled' category. Needs to pass through town meeting. TABLED

5. Conservation Events:

Events have been going well.

Waiting for permits.

6. 4TH of July:

George Number of ideas. John Robins offered to drive his truck & flatbed for a float. We need people to build it! Theme is 'Circus comes to town'.

2019 is the 20th anniversary of the clam ordinance.

Tyler's idea: Build a big pot and dress up like clams.

Another idea: A giant roller and clammers.

It was suggested to scrap the float idea and focus on raising money.

Crystal Looking for donations of clams for the raffle and to sell steamers. Will sell T-shirts too.

Crystal moved for a raffle. George Second. All in favor.

Alvah signed up for first shift. Crystal taking signups. [Members take turns signing up on sheet provided]

George Motion for a subcommittee to work on float. Crystal seconds. All in favor.

Crystal announces t-shirt design will be "Life is a mudflat-dig it" and will get design to Herbie.

Next Meeting June 26th in Stonington.

Adjourn 6:00

Submitted to George by Paul Miller

Handwritten signatures:
- Paul Miller
- Crystal
- George
- Herbie
- Alvah

SHELLFISH COMMITTEE
MINUTES APRIL 24, 2019

There being a quorum the meeting was brought to order at 5:15PM

ITEM 1: Minutes of March 2019 meeting read. Moved Powell second Carter to accept minutes vote 6-0

ITEM 2: Powell reported on the LDL 960 bill. He was not able to attend but after reading the bill he did not feel that it would affect clam sizes and that they would still be regulated by the town.

He also reported that he had attended a Monday night meeting of the Island Heritage Trust and Center for Coastal Fisheries. It was a good meeting and very informative.

ITEM 3: Powell reported that the application for putting out the seed boxes has been completed and we are now waiting for DEP approval. If it does not come before the May 10th that session will have to be at some later date.

ACE # 5-22-19

ITEM 4: Crystal reported that she has contacted dealers to see if any would like to come buy on the island. There are 125 buyers in the state, 49 within 50 miles of us and 21 within 25 miles of us. Coming to us seems to be a big issue for them. Two seemed to be willing but would only come a few times during the summer. Raylene has spoken to the Trenton buyer and they will call her back.

ITEM 5: Crystal has taken over the Facebook page and will post information. Clammers should check the page for closures etc.

ITEM 6: How about selling "T" shirts on July 4th - Board thought it was a good idea
Carter to get some prices
Crystal thought if each clammer would donate 5# clams they could be steamed and sold on July 4th
Raylene thought it would be a good idea to have a float in the parade

Ideas to be firmed up at May meeting

There being no further business meeting adjourned at 5:45PM. Next meeting at Deer Isle May 22, 2019 at 5PM

Respectively submitted;

Evelyn K Duncan, Secretary

[Signatures]

Kent Cromer Charles Cochran Crystal Gove

Shellfish Committee Meeting
March 27, 2019

There being a quorum the meeting was brought to order at 5:15PM

ITEM 1: Minutes of February 27, 2019 Moved Powell second Carter to accept minutes
Vote 6-0-2

ITEM 2: Robert Ray term ran out and he was not appointed to a new term. He voiced his anger and frustration that this had happened. He has been on the Board for 20 years. It was explained that the Board could recommend but the Selectmen for each town had the deciding factor as to who was appointed. Papers for Ray were not presented to the Selectmen, Powell stated that he had gone to the office to request consideration for appointment and was appointed. The Board decided to offer recommendations to the Selectmen and await their decision.

Stonington Lucas Oliver (moved from Deer Isle to Stonington)
Elliot Grey
Robert Ray
Alan Hutchinson

All were in favor of these recommendations

Deer Isle Charles Cochrane
All in favor of this recommendation

Note: Later in the meeting Robert Ray requested that the Board remove his recommendation from the list. He was thanked for his long service to the Board

ITEM 3: Powell is receiving information about potential laws affecting the clamming industry. LD 960 is coming up for review April 9, 2019 at 1PM at the Cross Building, Augusta. It contains sections on clam size, and collection. Billings stated that this bill may be dead but is important as it involves farming. Powell pointed out that it is important to know about and attend these sessions as it directly affects us on the island.

ITEM 4: There was a meeting this past Monday about the grant and volunteers for sampling. It was a good meeting but more volunteers are needed. Training will be required of those taking the samples. The samples will be taken in Deep Hole, Long Cove, and Crocketts Cove. Powell asked for a grant oversight subcommittee. Powell, Miller, Robbins and Jim Fisher (DI town manager) will make up the committee.

ITEM 5: Warden report. Flats are not frozen so more diggers are working but all are licensed and she has had no complaints this month.

ITEM 6: Conservation dates, time, location. All dates will meet at Deer Isle Town Hall

April 13 10-2PM Habitat Enhancement of seashore Webbs Cove to Indian Pt Raylene

April 28 10-2PM Habitat Enhancement of seashore Merchants Point Ben
Deer Isle Village Herbie
Sunshine Bar Paul & George
Fish Creek Crystal
Dow Road Herbie

May 9 1-5PM Building boxes for seed Deer Isle town hall Herbie

May 10 9-1PM Setting out boxes Oceanville Bridge George & Herbie
Greenlaw Cove
Webbs Cove
Sunshine Causeway
DI harbor by Dow Road

Participants should bring gloves for the April 13 & 28 events

Duncan will pick up 2 boxes of commercial waste bags and give to Raylene. Moved

Powell second Miller that each town pays for one box out of budget Vote 8-0

Participants should bring, hammer, scissors, stapler and screw gun to May 9th event

Participants should bring gloves, boots and hammer to May 10th event

ITEM 7: Warden stated she has started a new Deer Isle Stonington Shellfish Facebook page for clamming. It still needs work but it is started.

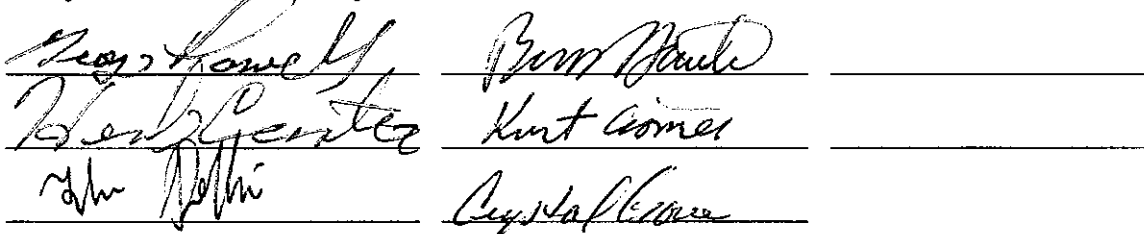
ITEM 8: Carter stated that we should advertise for additional buyers so that clammers might get better prices for clams. Powell stated that there is a list of licensed buyers in the state available. It was decided that calling the buyers to see if they were interested in coming to the island would be the best way to start. Crystal has the list and she will make the calls.

ITEM 9: Maps from the DMR regarding closed and open areas are available. Warden will put them in the Town offices and in her office in Stonington.

Meeting adjourned at 6:45PM Next meeting April 24th in Stonington

Respectively submitted;

Evelyn K Duncan, Secretary



Shellfish Committee Meeting
January 23, 2019

Gary Robbins *Paul*
Robert Ray *George Powell*
Robert Ray *Deer Center*

There being a quorum the meeting was brought to order at 5:15PM
DEC 27 1-29-19

Item 1: Moved Ray second Powell to accept minutes of ~~May~~ ^{DEC 27} 2018 Vote 7-0

Item 2: Election of officers: Moved Ray second Robbins to nominate Powell as Chairman Vote 7-0
Moved Ray to nominate Oliver Vice Chairman, Moved Powell to
nominate Tyler Robbins Vice Chairman after discussion Vote Oliver 7-0
Moved Ray second Powell to nominate Duncan as Secretary. Vote 7-0

Item 3: Because of the previous discussion regarding responsibilities of different officers it was suggested that both an operations manual and a job description be written. Robert Ray, George Powell and Paul volunteered to write them. Moved Oliver, second Powell to complete this project Vote 7-0

Item 4: Fees: In the last meeting fees were adjusted however Commercial Junior and Recreational Senior was omitted. Moved Powell second Robbins to leave these the same. Vote 7-0
Hannah Annis mentioned that non-resident commercial seniors was also not addressed. Even though there never has been anyone in the category it was moved Powell second Oliver to make the fee \$ 200.00. Vote 7-0

Item 5: Because of a new law the towns cannot adjust the size of clams. Our ordinance section D says we can do so. Therefore the ordinance needs to be modified and remove this section.

Item 6: Powell has submitted a Shellfish restoration grant application to take water samples in an effort to discover what specie is creating the pollution. The grant request is for \$5,345.80. The grant will be awarded to the winner on February 28th.

Item 7: There is a new proposed law LD4 regarding seeding, the public meeting regarding it is 2/24/19 in Augusta. Billings, Ray, and Powell do not think this is a good law as far as Deer Island flats are concerned. Hannah Annis has no information on the bill. Billings and Powell cannot go to speak on the issue. Ray and perhaps Oliver and T. Robbins will go.

Item 8: Conservation events: Raylene suggested cleaning of the flats as they desperately need attention. Powell suggest more recruitment boxes in different locations. Two events should be in April and three in May. Time and type to be decided at the next meeting.

Meeting adjourned 6:45PM Next meeting February 27, 2019 in Stonington

Respectively submitted;

Evelyn Duncan, Secretary

George Powell