

Shellfish Committee  
Minutes February 24, 2021

PRESENT: Three Board members Deer Isle, Three Board members Stonington  
PUBLIC: 14 members of the public including two clam wardens and Hannah  
from State of Maine

- Item 1: Minutes of February 2020 Minutes tabled till next meeting
- Item 2: Chairman wanted everyone to be aware of how important it is to have meetings with a quorum of Board members and participation from clamers in general. Without this it is possible that the State could void our Clam Ordinance which would mean any clamer from anywhere could clam the island flats.
- Item 3: Clam wardens both reported that the flats have been very quiet so far this year.
- Item 4: Election of officers  
Chairman: George Powell nominated and seconded. There being no further nominations vote was requested. All in favor  
Vice Chairman: Crystal Gove was nominated and seconded. There being no further nominations vote was requested. All in favor  
Secretary: Evelyn Duncan was nominated and seconded. There being no further nominations vote was requested All in favor
- Item 5: Mike Thalhauser from Coastal Fisheries PERC spoke on LD454 and its effects for the island. LD454 involves re-imburement to Towns. Letters in support can be sent
- Item 6: Hannah (from the State) reported that the State would like to do a long term study. The boxes would be 1' x 2' and the State would indicate where they want them to be. They will install but we could also install as part of conservation. They will be studying anything that comes into the box. They would like to start this spring. George Powell moved Crystal Gove seconded to approve this plan. Vote All in favor.
- Item 7: Conservation projects and times will be set next meeting which will be March 24<sup>th</sup> at 6PM
- Item 8: Recommendations for Board members Stonington Ben Hardie, Kurt Ciomei, George Powell (all terms still active) Lucas Oliver, Allen Hutchinson, Tyler Robbins possible new. Board to send to Stonington Selectmen

Meeting adjourned at 6:15PM

Respectively submitted;

Evelyn K Duncan  
Secretary

*George Powell*  
*Crystal Gove*

*Ben Hardie*

*Billy*

*Allen Hutchinson*