

## SHELLFISH MEETING

AUGUST 8, 2013

Meeting called to order by Abden Simmons, Chair, at 5:00pm.

**Present:** Abden Simmon, Glen Melvin, Bay Creamer, Clint Collamore, Wayne Harvey II, Chuck Reed

**Others Present:** Bill Bragg, Shellfish Warden, Hanna Annis, Area Biologist, Linda Perry, Town Clerk

I Approve minutes from last meeting: No minutes for motion to approve. Motion to table the minute by Clint, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Wayne II, 6-0

II Report from Hanna Annis, Area Biologist: No additional reports other than what is on the August 8, 2013 Agenda.

III Report from Bill Bragg, Shellfish Warden: There are reports of an abundance of non-licensed diggers. No summons's since the last Shellfish meeting. Glen asked about the "part-time" warden. Topic of discussion at the next Shellfish meeting.

IV Green Crab Discussion: Hanna Annis, Area Biologist reported there will be a "State-wide" first ever 2-day "Green Crab" survey August 27-28, 2013. Hanna outlined a rough sketch of the survey. Details currently being worked out. 7 towns throughout the coast of Maine have already responded to participate, Waldoboro being one of them. Glen Melvin and Chuck Reed have agreed to help out. Abden brought up his concern with using lobster trap to catch crabs. He felt we would not see the "problem" like if we were to use crab traps. Abden will present the 2-day Green Crab survey to the Selectmen. Hanna went on to say the Green Crab is becoming acclimated to our warmer winters, on the list of top 10 evasive species, been known to

even eat horseshoe crabs, and will drive lobsters out of the “den”. Currently looking for ways to “use” Green Crab. Hanna reported clams are gone in Northern Bay, Penobscot, muscles depleting in Maine – Is it the “Green Crab”?, and a Cohog survey in New Meadows – seems like a lot of seed and small Cohogs on the rise.

V Review Shellfish Sales of 2013: Linda reported we sold up to 10 licenses without them doing conservation. This was due to the town manager asking the Shellfish Committee to “suspend” mandatory conservation until further notice. Currently no fines imposed.

VI Conservation Time: Motion by Clint to continue our conservation plans as written until such violation was determined by the Attorney General, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Glen. 5 in favor, 0 opposed, 1 sustained( Wayne II).

VII Other Business: Election of Officers was as followed...

Chair – Glen motioned to re-elect Abden Simmons, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Clint, 5-0  
Vice Chair – Clint motioned to elect Glen Melvin, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Wayne II, 5-0  
Secretary – Clint motioned to elect Chuck Reed, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Glen, 5-0

\*\*\* Before Adjourning, Clint motioned to have a “moment of silence” for Clair Bowley, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Wayne II, 6-0.

VIII Motion to adjourn by Glen, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Clint 6-0

Abden Simmons

Glen Melvin

Chuck Reed

Clint Collamore

Wayne Harvey II

Bay Creamer

