

**Harbor and Shellfish Advisory Board
Tuesday, June 7, 2016
Community Room, 4 Fairgrounds Road**

Members Present: P. Brace, B. Blount, K. Gullicksen, K. Kuntz, A. Lowell, F. McClure, J. LiPuma (who arrived immediately after the election of officers).

Members Absent: None

Staff Present: Sheila Lucey from Marine Department
Jeff Carlson from Natural Resources
Chief W. Piitman from Police Department

Public: Approximately 2 members of the public were present at beginning of meeting.

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order @ 5:06 PM.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Unanimously approved.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The May 17, 2016 minutes were approved with one correction by A. Lowell.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS

Upon successive motions duly made and seconded the following were elected unanimously (each nominee abstaining from vote on his election):

Chairman: Peter Brace
Vice Chairman: Andy Lowell
Secretary: Fritz McClure

CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

The Chairman noted that the meeting was being televised and that hr will request the BOS to schedule a public hearing on the proposed revisions to the slip and mooring regulations.

MARINE DEPARTMENT REPORT

The Marine Department is preparing for the summer with installation of lifeguard stands and access ramps at south shore beaches and a handicap ramp at Children's beach; MD will encourage use of "DOR-MOR" anchors for all new moorings; MD is distributing Boat's Guide brochure provided by the Shellfish Association.

NATURAL RESOURCES REPORT

The hatchery restoration is on time and almost finished; NR is starting water quality monitoring in harbor with new equipment - results will be available to the public on-line @ NR website; the BOS will hold a water quality workshop on June 8th.

PUBLIC COMMENT ON MARINE DEPARTMENT / NATURAL RESOURCES REPORTS

Dan Drake representing the Shellfish Assn. provided additional details on the Boater's Guide - will be available at Marine Dept., Nantucket Yacht Club, Great Harbor Yacht Club, the Boat Basin, Brant Point Marine and Nantucket Moorings. They are open to additional suggestions or additional sites.

OLD BUSINESS

Four-Bushel Limit Proposal: The Chairman solicited the views of the Members; all members expressed their opinion; Ken Kuntz expressed desire to vote on and approve the proposal; The two members of the public who were present (Kona and Drake) voiced opposing positions on the proposal (the former against and the latter generally for); Jeff Carlson stated that the MD would be willing to distribute a questionnaire on the proposal for the commercial shell-fisherman early next Fall. Discussion followed regarding deferral of issue for 2016/17 season. Upon motion duly made and seconded the Board voted to postpone a decision on the proposal for the 2016/2017 season, but to re-consider for the 2017/2018 season. The vote was 5-2 with Blount and Kuntz opposed.

Summer Meeting Schedule: Following a brief discussion, upon a motion duly made and seconded the board voted to meet once a month during the summer. The vote was 5-1 with McClure opposed and Blount abstaining.

HSAB 2016/2017 Goals: The Chairman circulated a list of suggestions submitted by the members. The Chairman solicited the views of the members. McClure stressed the desire to facilitate the implementation of the Nantucket Shellfish Management Plan and that the Board should request that the BOS appoint the Implementation Committee (IC) as soon as possible. The Chairman ask if any member would be willing to sit on the the IC when it is formed. McClure volunteered and upon motion duly made and seconded the Board voted to request that the BOS include Mr. McClure on the IC when it is formed. Mr. Lowell then ask the Staff several questions about his priorities - the dredging of Polpis Harbor, the discharge of gray water in Nantucket Harbor and a second boat ramp in Nantucket Harbor (possibly on Easton Street). The Staff stated that the dredging and installation of boat ramp would require permitting; the MD is enforcing discharge regulations, but it can not require retrofitting of boats; the proposal for an additional ramp may face some opposition giving the response to the Land Bank's proposal for Petrel Landing. Discussion followed the Board agreed to set aside the June 21st meeting for a Board Workshop to further discuss its 016/2017 Goals

NEW BUSINESS

None

PUBLIC QUESTIONS AND COMMENT

None

RECAP and ITEMS FOR NEXT MEETING

Workshop session for June 21, 2016 to further discuss 2016/2017 Goals.

ADJOURN

The meeting adjourned @ 6:36 PM

Submitted By: Frederick P. McClure, Secretary