

**Harbor and Shellfish Advisory Board
Tuesday, 2016 at 5:00 p.m.
Community Room, 4 Fairgrounds Road**

Members present: Peter B. Brace, Ken Kuntz, Ken Gullicksen,
Andy Lowell

Members Absent: Fritz McClure, Bill Blount, Joe LiPuma

Marine Dept:

Natural Resources Dept:

Others: Kona

CALL TO ORDER

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Unanimously approved

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

MARINE DEPARTMENT REPORT:

NATURAL RESOURCES REPORT

**PUBLIC COMMENT ON MARINE DEPARTMENT /
NATURAL RESOURCES REPORT**

This is a Harbor & Shellfish Advisory Board workshop meeting. The public is welcome to attend this workshop, however, no public comment or questions will be taken at this meeting. The next regularly scheduled meeting is July 5, 2016.

OLD BUSINESS

Prioritizing Harbor & Shellfish Advisory Board Goals for 2016/2017 – discussion

Mr. Kuntz stressed wader use education as high priority. Mr. Lowell said dredging key parts of the harbor should be a medium priority, that scallop seed enforcement should be a high priority. Mr. Gullicksen said the board needed to revisit the seed enforcement regulations to make procedural clarification. Mr. Lowell asked that wader use education be a high priority with signs at all public access points. Mr. Gullicksen suggested a flyer to be handed out when recreational shellfish licenses are sold. On codium eradication, Mr. Lowell said this invasive species should be researched and be a high priority. For emergency storm boat removal; alternate boat ramp locations, Mr. Lowell recommended that this be a medium priority. Mr. Gullicksen said the town definitely needs an additional boat ramp open all the time. Mr. Brace suggested sending a letter to the selectmen recommending possible locations.

The board agreed that the Shellfish Management Plan is high priority. For discharge of gray water from boats within the three-mile limit around the island and its harbors. Mr. Brace suggested that the board first learn how gray water is handled by boats in Nantucket waters before it takes any action. Mr. Kuntz volunteered to research for the board and report back to the board at a future meeting. Mr. Lowell suggested that the board have Mr. Kuntz also get information on what boat washing soaps are permitted for use in Nantucket waters. The board determined this to be a high priority.

On translation of fertilizer regulations into other languages spoken by island residents, the board rated this item a high priority item and one that could be dealt with a recommendation letter to the Board of Health and the selectmen. On the issue of better public education of hazardous waste days, Mr. Lowell said that people need to be reminded that these days exist and more an effort needs to be made to get the word out about what is and isn't hazardous

waste. Mr. Gullicksen said there's an enforcement element here that needs strengthening. This is a high priority.

On pre-application of calcium chloride coated salt "Atomic Ice Melt" on roads and downtown sidewalks, Mr. Lowell said the board needs to do more research on this issue before making any recommendations. The board agreed this item should be a high priority.

For the issue of the gulls congregating on the town pier and pooping all over it, the board theorized that moving the scallop shell dumping pile out the second DPW entrance on Madaket Road caused gulls to hang out on the town pier instead. The board decided this is a medium priority issue. For seal poop concentration in the harbor, the board decided this is a low priority issue: low priority.

For nub regulation changes as proposed by Mr. Brace, reducing the legal height of the growth ring from 10 millimeters to something shorter, Mr. Lowell said this is an enforcement issue. Mr. Brace said a letter should be written to the state once the board has all of its facts in place. This is a medium priority.

On Mr. Kuntz's NOAA eelgrass restoration grant goal, the board said this is a high priority. For mooring impacts on eelgrass beds and promoting the use of moorings with floating tackle and dormor anchoring systems, the board opted for high priority. On Mr. LiPuma's suggestion for more education of the public on shellfish and harbor regulations, also high priority.

For Mr. Gullicksen's idea on setting aside a part of the harbor that isn't dredged during the scallop season to research the impacts and if there are negative impacts, find a solution: high priority.

NEW BUSINESS

PUBLIC QUESTIONS AND COMMENT

RECAP and ITEMS FOR NEXT MEETING

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Unanimously approved

Future Meetings:

July 5 and July 21

Respectfully Submitted,
Peter B. Brace, Chairman