## April 12, 2016

## **Regular Monthly Provincetown Shellfish Advisory Committee Meeting**

**Called to Order**: 5:00: Members present: Mel Cote, Dave Flattery, Bob Hazard (Sec), Rick Macara (Vice Chair), and Lory Santos (Chair).

**Also Present:** Owen Nichlos (Center of Costal Studies Liaison) John Baldwin and Mike Chute (General Public).

**Public Comments: None** 

**Previous Minutes:** Motion by D. Flattery, Second by R. Macara to accept amended Feb 2

Minutes. Vote 5-0 approve.

March 5 minutes not reviewed as copies not available for meeting.

## **Old Business:**

• **Constable S. Wisbauer report**: Steve was not present at meeting but did E-mail his update;

"Provincetown has permit in hand for this years contaminated relay. The entire propagation budget of \$4500 go to this effort and arrangements made with and authorized captain. The relaying will start early this year beginning sometime after April 20.

The State of Massachusetts, through the Cape Cod Cooperative extension has issued Towns with shellfish assets \$5888 worth of seed credit. For Provincetown his has been allocated to further our oyster propagation efforts and in early summer we will take delivery of:

235 bags of oyster remote set

273k oyster seed (small), 3-4mm

Division of Marine fisheries has been contacted with a request for biological surveys of the new grant applications approved by the BOS.

DMF has raised its standards for biological surveys and now needs to look at not only existing biology but specific plans of what grant holders intend to do. I am working with them to create a template to make it easy for people to describe their methods and with luck we will have our survey done in early May with the big negative tides. Depending on the survey outcome, the DMF will contact the Army Corps of Engineers for final approval. New grant holders have been instructed to mark their corners according to town aquaculture regulations so don't be surprised if you see people dragging things around in the area. 

2"

• **Shellfish grants:** S. Wishbauer presented to BOS march 14 meeting, shellfish regulation changes and grant applications; all were approved by BOS grants as follows;

- First time Intertidal grants to: Daniel DeGruttolla (1A), Natanel Mayo (1A),
   Michel Chute (2A), Robert Hazard (1A) as a group Alfred Farnigletti, James
   Staniscia and Theadore Cormay (1A) and Loretta Santos (1A)
- ADA grant renewal to: Frances Santos, Loretta Santos, Randy Foratti, Anthony Paccione and David Flattery/Bethamy Tasha.

## **New Business:**

 Surf Clam regulations: Discussion concerning adding limit of two buckets(20qts) per week and with size of 5 inch or larger length. Motion by D. Flattery, second by R. Macara to have Shellfish Constable add these changes to recreational clamming regulation. Vote 5-0 approve.

**Other new business:** D. Flattery(who is also a member of the Harbor Committee) mentioned that they were considering adding an aquiculture dock attached to the dingy dock, to be used for oyster transfer and possibly an upweller. Motion by R. Macara, second by B. Hazard to have chair send letter of support. Vote 3-0 approve 2 abstention

Next meeting May 3.

**Motion to Adjourn**: by D. Flattery, Second by R. Macara to adjourn at 6:00. Vote 5-0 approve B. Hazard, Secretary