

Oak Bluffs Shellfish Committee Meeting Minutes

May 19, 2009

Members present: Earl Peters, Mark Landers, Raymond Moreis and Paul Humber

Others present: David Grunden, William Alwardt

Meeting opened at 6:08 PM.

Previous Minutes

Minutes of January 20 and February 17, 2009 read.

Motion: To accept the minutes as read. By: Member Humber. Second: Member Moreis. Motion passed unanimously 4-0.

Member Leonardo arrived at 6:10 PM.

Constables' Report

Constable Grunden read his May 2009 report.

Motion: To accept the report as read. By: Vice-chairman Landers. Second: Member Leonardo. Motion passed unanimously 5-0.

Lagoon Pond

Constable Grunden recommended that Lagoon Pond from Lobster Hatchery to Lagoon Road to open be for shellfishing on May 30, 2009 and to close the area at Sailing Camp Park.

He also advised that the quahog relay would be June 2,3, and 4, 2009 and any assistance would be appreciated.

Motion: To recommend to the Board of Selectmen the above dates. By: Vice-chairman Landers. Second: Member Leonardo. Motion passed unanimously 5-0.

Little Bridge

Constable Grunden advised that they could only dredge on the outside and that they went as far out as they could possibly go.

Members looked at William Alwardt's aerial photos.

Member Moreis left at 6:22 PM.

He said that the permit to dredge Sengekontacket Pond channel is close to getting reauthorized and they would look at cutting across.

Bird Nesting

It was noted that there were terns outside on the barrier beach but nothing on the Sengekontacket Pond side yet.

Joint Committee

William Alwardt wanted to know if it has ever been discussed at their meetings to dredge Big Bridge both inside and outside.

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Constable Grunden advised that it was discussed but he would bring the subject up at their next meeting scheduled for that Friday.

Vice-chairman Landers added that they would need to get Edgartown to discuss it when they continue with their dredging.

Piers

Mr Alwardt asked if there were four new pier applications.

Constable Grunden responded that none had been officially filed with the Conservation Commission that he knew about and they had not asked him to do any surveys.

He added that there are liens on two piers and the regulations are much stronger now than when those piers went in.

Motion: To close the meeting. By: Vice-chairman Landers. Second: Member Humber. Motion passed unanimously 4-0.

Meeting closed at 7:00 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Nicole L Morey
Shellfish Secretary