

**GUILFORD SHELLFISH COMMISSION
MINUTES**

January 10, 2018

7:30 P.M.

Town Hall, second floor, Selectmen's Meeting Room

Commissioners: Chair Stephen Goldschmidt, John Hall, Ed Lombard, John Sieviec, Keith Harvey,
Peter Charland, Tony DeLucia
Absent: None
Wardens: Greg Marsh
Commercial: None
Guests: None

At 7:35 pm Chair Stephen Goldschmidt called to order the regular meeting.

1. Public Forum

There were no citizens present.

2. Minutes of December 13, 2017 meeting

Upon review,

Motion: John Sieviec moved to approve the December 13, 2017 minutes, seconded by Peter Charland.

*Vote: Carried - John Hall, Ed Lombard, Peter Charland, John Sieviec, Keith Harvey
Abstained - Tony DeLucia (absent Dec. 13)*

3. Commercial Activity and Licenses - Stephen Goldschmidt

Chair Goldschmidt reported that all commercial fisheries have paid the invoices that he had sent on December 5. There are no outstanding prior invoices at this time.

4. Bills and Correspondence

Correspondence

- DEEP : The Blue Plan fact sheet and Webinars are available online.
- A few GSC commissioners will attend the UCONN Sea Grant 14 th Annual CT Shellfish Commission Gathering, January 13, 2018 at The Sound School in New Haven.

5. Wardens' Report

Warden Greg Marsh reported that he had not seen any shellfishers this month.

6. Subcommittees

A. Recreation – Stephen Goldschmidt / Keith Harvey

Treasurer Peter Charland reported :

Recreational License Revenue received : \$2,093.00

Capt. Morgan Bait Shop : 13 resident, 13 non-resident, 3 non-resident senior,
3 resident senior, 22 daily

Cash sales : 1 non-resident, 1 resident, 1 non-resident senior

B. Water Sampling – Ed Lombard / John Hall / Stephen Goldschmidt / Warden Hill

Ed Lombard reported that Water Sampling is on hold due to boats unable to leave the frozen harbors. He had been in contact with the Bureau of Aquaculture.

C. Boat - John Hall / Ed Lombard

Ed Lombard reported that he and Chair Goldschmidt had towed the GSC Boat from East River Marine to his yard for temporary winter storage until the Town Marina has a slip available.

D. Stocking – Anthony DeLucia / John Hall / John Sieviec

Ed Lombard reported there were no Stocking activities this month.

E. Finance - Peter Charland / Ed Lombard

Treasurer Peter Charland submitted Operating Statements just received from the Town Finance Dept. for August through December 2017.

F. Special Projects – John Hall / Peter Charland / Warden Brown

Discussion on whether GSC will participate in Guilford's "Earthfest" will take place at a future meeting.

G. Signs - Anthony DeLucia / Warden Brown

Tony DeLucia reported that all recreational areas are open at this time yet rain is in the forecast for the end of week. He will keep the signs up to date.

H. Website - Ed Lombard / Keith Harvey

Ed Lombard reported there was no new information to add to the GSC website.

7. Updates

A. Land Acquisition Commission (LAC) - Stephen Goldschmidt

Stephen Goldschmidt advised that there was no new information to report from LAC.

B. Sea Grant Advisory Board (SGAB) - Stephen Goldschmidt

Stephen Goldschmidt reported that there was no new information this month on the Public Awareness Outreach programs for the Connecticut Shellfish Initiative.

C. Harbor Management Commission (HMC) - Keith Harvey / John Sieviec

Keith Harvey reported there is no new information from HMC.

**D. Docks, moorings and other potentially impacting projects - John Sieviec/
Keith Harvey**

Discussion held under "Old Business".

8. Old Business

A. Review of Warden Guidelines

Discussion was tabled to the February meeting.

B. Review of Docks and other potentially Impacting Projects

1. Shell Beach Marsh Restoration

John Sieviec reported there is no new information on the Shell Beach Marsh Restoration project.

2. Seaside Ave. dock

John Sieviec reported there is no new information on the Seaside Avenue Dock project that is underway.

3. Rt 146 road reconstruction

John Sieviec reported that there was no new information on the Rt. 146 Project. Design plans have not been submitted to the Town.

4. West River/Yacht Club dredging and marsh restoration

John Sieviec reported that the Guilford Yacht Club will be disposing of dredging spoils during their marsh restoration along the West River. The Town will hold a Public Hearing to address the spoils disposal location.

9. New Business

A. Annual Alison Varian Memorial Scholarship

Discussion reviewed documents to initiate the Annual Alison Varian Memorial Scholarship, which had been emailed to GSC by Chair Goldschmidt. The CT Fishermen Association (Alison was a member) has been approached regarding a donation. Other organizations and individuals will be encouraged to donate as well.

Chair Goldschmidt advised that Garth Varian is grateful for GSC in establishing this perpetual scholarship in honor of Alison's participation in marine activities.

The scholarship is intended to be sustained in perpetuity once the fund reaches \$10,000 and by future donations. This is an ongoing collaboration among the Donors (Stephen Goldschmidt and Gary MacElhiney), the GSC, The Guilford Foundation and The Sound School.

Further discussion will be held at the February meeting.

B. Return of Unsold 2017 Recreational Licenses and review 2018 Licenses

Discussion reviewed the process to reconcile unsold 2017 recreational licenses that have not been submitted yet.

At this point, Treasurer Peter Charland reviewed Bills :

Warden Fred Hill - December invoice	\$	40.00
Judy Anderson Castellano, Recording Secretary	\$	136.00
John Hall - East River Marina : winterize Boat	\$	655.00
Nancy Matyasovsky - Data Entry (Oct./Nov. 2017 & Jan. 2018)	\$	<u>110.50</u>
Total :	\$	941.50

Motion: Tony DeLucia approved payment of the bills, seconded by John Sievec.

Vote: Carried - Unanimously

Revenue : Recreational License - \$ 2,093.00
Commercial Invoices - \$ 6,737.50

LMH Shellfish (Bud Harris)	\$ 1,322.75	Lots 32 & 51
Richard Greenleaf	\$ 721.00	
C.W. Shellfish (Chris Walston)	\$ 824.75	
Stella Mar Shellfish (Steven Schafer)	\$ 1776.00	

10. Adjournment

Motion: At 7:55 pm, John Hall moved to adjourn, seconded by Ed Lombard.

Vote: Carried - Unanimously

Respectfully submitted,

Judith Anderson Castellano
Recording Secretary