

**GUILFORD SHELLFISH COMMISSION
MINUTES**

August 12, 2020

7:30 P.M.

Due to the Corona Virus 19 pandemic, meetings are held online at Zoom.com

Commissioners: Vice Chair Bob Burger, Treasurer Peter Charland, John Sieviec, John Hall,
Keith Harvey, Tony DeLucia
Absent: Chair Ed Lombard
Wardens: None
Commercial: None
Guests: None

At 7:34 pm Vice Chair Bob Burger called to order the regular meeting. The Vice Chair and five regular members were present for a quorum.

1. Public Forum There were no guests present.

2. Minutes of July 8, 2020 meeting

Motion: John Sieviec moved to approve the July 8, 2020 minutes as presented, seconded by Tony DeLucia.

*Vote Carried - John Sieviec, Peter Charland, John Hall, Tony DeLucia
Abstained - Keith Harvey (July Absence)*

3. Commercial Activity and Licenses - Peter Charland

Peter Charland reported there was no new information regarding commercial activity and license agreements.

He reported on Recreational License revenue :

GSC cash sales: \$ 285 1 Nonresident(NR), 2 Resident(R), 3 Senior Resident(SR),
1 Senior Nonresident(SNR), 3 Daily(D)

GSC cash: \$ 75 1 NR

Capt. Morgan's Bait Shop : \$3,808 37 NR, 12 SNR, 16 R, 4 SR

Dee's Bait Shop : \$1,004 9 NR, 2 SNR, 4 R, 4 SR

The Fish Factory \$ 175 2 NR, 1 R

Capt. Morgan's (August) \$1,912 12 NR, 5 SNR, 31 R, 4 SR

Total : \$7,326

4. Bills and Correspondence

Bills

Treasurer Peter Charland reported :

Warden Allyn Brown - patrols July/August	\$ 920
Warden Fred Hill - patrols July/August	\$ 120
Nancy Matyasovsky - Data Entry	\$ 71
Judy Anderson Castellano – Recording Secretary June	\$ 61.25
July	\$ 97.63
Sweitzer Trash Removal - Trolley Road	\$ 177
Bob Burger – Warden GSC I.D. T-Shirts	\$ 239.29
Water Sampling	<u>\$ 164.17</u>
Total:	\$1,850.34

Motion: Keith Harvey moved to pay the bills as submitted, seconded by John Hall.

Vote: Carried - Unanimously

Correspondence An email received from BoA requesting the periodic Adverse Pollution Conditions (APC) samples.

5. Wardens' Report

Vice Chair Burger reported that he had issued updated Warden T-shirts identifying them to the public. Wardens also wear a hat and badge.

Warden Liaison Peter Charland reported that Warden Brown had advised that the Trolley Road/Great Harbor neighborhood had recently held a meeting. They are “overwhelmed” by an increase of beach goers, kayakers and shellfishers.

Discussion included :

- GSC recreational license sales have not increased this year.
- Wardens can redirect shellfishers to the other recreational areas, such as Chaffinch Island.
- Peter Charland will add this information to the GSC Facebook and Webpages
- Peter will also contact Wardens regarding public access and GSC liability in transporting shellfishers to areas when parking is limited.

7. Subcommittees

A. Recreation – Peter Charland / Keith Harvey

Reported under Commercial Activity.

B. Water Sampling – Ed Lombard / John Hall / Warden Fred Hill / Bob Burger

Vice Chair Bob Burger reported that water samples are up to date. Due to this week's tropical Storm Isaias, the Bur. of Aquaculture (BoA) laboratory had no power to do water testing. GSC had received an email from BoA requesting the periodic Adverse Pollution Conditions (APC) samples.

C. Boat - John Hall / Ed Lombard

Bob Burger advised that he found the boat in good condition after Storm Isaias.

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

Vice Chair Bob Burger reported that he had contacted ARC shellfish nursery. The GSC seed clam order placed in January will be available for stocking. License sales can still support purchasing the seed clams this fall. Stocking remains on schedule as usual, as well as, the June Stocking expenditure of \$7,600.

E. Finance - Peter Charland / Ed Lombard

Treasurer Peter Charland reviewed the June Operating Statement received from the Town Finance Dept. which included the purchase of a new boat motor. The deficit was at \$16,348 due in part to the motor and overlapping expenses from month to month. License sales continue to be on track despite the coronavirus pandemic. The current Fund Balance is \$129,434.

John Hall reminded that the new outboard motor “20 Hours Service Contract” will cost about \$500 to \$600.

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

There are currently no special projects planned.

G. Signs - Anthony DeLucia / Warden Brown

Tony DeLucia reported that he has maintained the GSC sign locks with a better salt water and weather resistant lubricant.

H. Website - Ed Lombard / Keith Harvey

Peter Charland reported that he continues to update the GSC Website and Facebook page adding the Zoom meeting invitation to the public and that meetings are live streamed on Facebook, on GCTV and the Town Website. The public is encouraged to view both to be aware of GSC responsibilities, activities, shellfishing license regulations, and volunteer opportunities.

8. Updates**A. Land Acquisition Commission (LAC) - John Sieviec**

John Sieviec reported that there was no LAC meeting this month.

B. Sea Grant Advisory Board (SGAB) - John Sieviec / Bob Burger

John Sieviec reported there no new information from SGAB.

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

Keith Harvey reported that HMC Alternates had been appointed as Regular members and there are two new Co-Chairs.

D. Docks, Moorings and potentially impacting projects / John Sieviec/Keith Harvey

John Sieviec reported that the Indian Cove/Mulberry Point water main project is complete and final grading is being done. Bob Burger advised that water samples in the area good results and not impacted by the construction.

9. Old Business

A. Review Shellfish Management Plan

GSC continues to operate under the current GSC Shellfish Management Plan and Memorandum of Understanding (MOU), as DEEP reviews GSC rainfall statistics and updates the Plan.

B. Selling of Old Boat Motor

Discussion reviewed the GSC options to sell the GSC boat former engine. As required, the engine was offered to Town departments to purchase, yet there has been no response. Private citizens have shown interest. Peter Charland will assist Chair Lombard in pursuing a sale.

9. New Business

A. Other There was no further business.

10. Adjournment

Motion: At 8:07 pm, John Hall moved to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Keith Harvey.

Vote: Carried - Unanimously

Respectfully submitted,

Judith Anderson Castellano

Recording Secretary