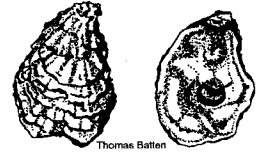


Town of Greenwich Shellfish Commission Meeting



April 14, 2009

Present: Roger Bowgen, Chairman; Bill Cameron; Frank Cantelmo; Bill Fossum; Bill Grempe; Peter Janis; Rick Kral; Carol Rogers, Shellfish Coordinator

Absent: Walton Alder; Sue Baker

Guests: Michael Long, Michael Aurelia, Michael Doall

The meeting was called to order at 5:40 PM.

Minutes – The minutes from the March 10, 2009 meeting were approved unanimously.

Coordinator's Report – Carol has not been able to sample this month. She had asked Tim Cameron for a written estimate for the mooring cover but has not received it yet. He told her it would be roughly \$900.

Frank Cantelmo mentioned that he would like to make use of the boat for marine education, a type of water lab. Bill Grempe said that the Greenwich Country Day School is interested in doing a project next year.

Michael Long said that we would need to check out insurance issues on the boat – with having students on board.

Roger reported that he found some people taking shellfish under the I-95 overpass in Cos Cob. He went back a few times to make sure they stopped. Michael Long had requested additional signs from the State to be posted in these areas.

Treasurer's Report – No treasurer's report this month.

Frank asked what parameters the State tests for in shellfish. Roger said he would contact them to find out.

Peter reported that the Greenwich Scholarship Association wants control of the funds so this avenue will not work out.

Experience the Sound – Roger reported that he had met with the selectmen and they will support and promote the event through the Greening Task Force. The various boats that have been invited to be at the Point have confirmed attendance.

Peter mentioned that Tim Janis could add shellfish information to a CD that could be used as a promotional item. They would cost about \$2 a CD to have made. Peter said he could send Roger a mockup this evening.

Town Coastal Resources Advisory Committee – Rick reported that they were currently discussing mooring regulations and other items and not getting into larger projects like Dredging and Harbor Management Commissions. Rick mentioned that the Army Corps had done some sediment sampling in preparation for the Mianus River Dredging project. Michael Long said he could see if he could get a hold of the report.

Roger thought the Cow Barn could be used toward storage of shellfish supplies. He asked if anyone knew what it might be used for. Peter said he would look into this.

New Business - Rick suggested that we make sure Ed supervises the relocation of shellfish. The last relocation was placed in a large pile too high above the tide line and died. Michael Aurelia mentioned that there are two bills before the State regarding shellfish. One allows for local Health Departments to do the water sampling for shellfish beds and the other has to do with the transparency of Shellfish Commissions.

Bill Fossum asked how the warden coverage was. The majority of people thought not good. Bill Cameron suggested making a reminder phone call just before the weekend.

The next meeting will be Tuesday May 12, 2009 @ 5:30 PM. The meeting was adjourned at 6:30 PM.

Michael Long