

**TOWN OF FAIRFIELD  
SHELLFISH COMMISSION  
MEETING MINUTES – September 15, 2010**

The Shellfish Commission of the Town of Fairfield held a meeting on September 15, 2010 at 7:30 PM in the Second Floor Conference Room of the Honorable John J. Sullivan Independence Hall, 725 Old Post Road, Fairfield, Connecticut

**Members Present:** Edward Crowley, Jr., Chairman; Sanford Wakeman Jr., Vice Chair; Gregory D. Lanute, Secretary; David Thornton; Sally Harold; Cathy Raynor-Catropa; and James Baum, MD

**Call To Order:** Edward Crowley, Jr., Chairman Called the meeting to order at 7:31 PM

*Note: Although initially present, Mr. Baum was excused so that he could attend another Town board meeting which was being conducted this evening.*

**I. BILLS AND COMMUNICATIONS**

A. **Meeting Minutes of August 11, 2010:** David Thornton *moved*, Sanford Wakeman *seconded* to accept the minutes of August 11, 2010. *Motion passed unanimously.*

B. **Committee Reports:**

1. **Clam Relay/ Planting: Crowley** – Chairman Crowley noted that Thomas Steinke had spoken with Mr. Salce concerning a sampling and possible relay; Mr. Salce had indicated that he will contact the Commission in the fall when his schedule permits.
2. **Water and Habitat Quality: Wakeman, Sally Harold, Cathy Raynor-Catropa** - Testing to be conducted in the up coming weeks.
3. **Permits and Access: David Thornton** - No report presented, however 73 permits have been issued by the Conservation Department.
4. **Commercial Shellfish Regulations: Crowley, Wakeman, Harold** - No report presented.
5. **Oyster Bed Development Committee: Lanute, Thornton, Harold** - No report presented

**I. OLD BUSINESS**

A. **Sanitary Survey of Shoreline:** No discussion

B. **Report on Coordination For Conducting A Shellfish Plant (hard clam) To The Recreational Shellfish Beds:** David Thornton *moved*, Sally Harold *seconded* to allot \$1,500.00 for the purchase of bushels of clams to be planted in late Autumn. The size of the clams to be purchased will be determined by the cost. *Motion passed unanimously.*

- C. **Report on Coordination For Conducting A Shellfish Relay To The Recreational Shellfish Beds:** The Commission had previously discussed the conditions under which Mr. Salce will assist the Commission with regard to sampling and relay from the harbor. It was mentioned that a relay will result in the closure of the beds, as required by the Aquaculture Department.
- D. **Consideration For Scheduling A Clam Clinic:** A Clam clinic will be scheduled for October 16<sup>th</sup> from 12 pm to 2 pm with the rain date scheduled for October 17<sup>th</sup> from 1pm-3pm. David Thornton will be in contact with local newspapers to inform the public of the clinic.
- E. **CT DEP-OLISP and U.S. ACOE Application of Philip DiGennaro- Proposed Non-Harbor Mooring In Long Island Sound, near 607 Fairfield Beach Road, Fairfield:** General Permit Registration # 200901203- TS, Application denied. – No discussion.

### III. NEW BUSINESS

- A. **Consideration For Establishing A Non-Resident Employee Rate for Shellfish Licenses:** Sally Harold *moved*, Cathy Raynor-Catropa *seconded* to allow non-resident employees to pay the resident permit rate. *Motion passed unanimously.*

### IV. INFORMATIONAL

- A. 2010-2011 Budget Status – Informational
- B. Shellfish Balance – Informational
- C. License Permits Issued Through August 31, 2010 – Informational
- D. City of Norwalk Shellfish Commission Meeting Minutes of August 5, 2010 – Informational.
- E. Town of Fairfield Harbor Management Commission Meeting Minutes of July 20, 2010 – Informational
- F. Phone Calls For Status of open or closed August 2010 – Informational

### V. OTHER - None

### VI. PUBLIC COMMENT - None

### VII. ADJOURNMENT

There will no further business to come before the Commission, Sally Harold *moved*, Sanford Wakeman *seconded* to adjourn at 8:20 p.m. *Motion passed unanimously.*

Respectfully submitted,  
Gregory Lanute