

**Shellfish Advisor Committee 1.15.19**  
**Gus Canty Community Center, Room 1**

**Present:** Chuck Martinsen, Dan Ward, David Heffernan, John Sylvia Sr., Peter Chase, Scott Lindell, Tom Duncan, Brian Ridgeway; Recording Secretary David Bailey

**Absent:** Robert Sargent

**Guests:** Peter Johnson-Staub and Eric Kaplus

**List of Documents presented at the meeting:** Agenda, Town of Falmouth Shellfish Grant Applicant Selection Criteria, General Permits for Massachusetts Aquaculture Requirements

The meeting began at 5:00 p.m.

**Administrative Orders**

1. Approval of minutes 11/20/18, **approved unanimously**
2. Approval of minutes 12/12/18, **approved unanimously**

**Discussion of nitrogen removal targets for permitting of sites in estuaries (Eric Karplus)**

- Focus on Eel River
- 6 ½ acre sites
- Towns nitrogen removal goals

**Reviewed/commented on latest draft of RFP for Aquaculture Pilot Program (presented by subcommittee)**

- Updated draft will be emailed and voted on at next meeting on 1/22/19
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**Reviewed/voted on Matt Weeks aquaculture proposal Nantucket Sound**

- Approved unanimously

**Reviewed/voted on Pete Chase aquaculture proposal in Great Harbor, Woods Hole**

- Approved unanimously

**Discussed on timing of commercial shellfish area openings**

- Some commercial shellfishermen are concerned that there are times when no big ponds are open and areas get crowded

**Falmouth harbor update and general updates from Shellfish Constable (Chuck)**

- Water sampling is going well, could reopen in the future
- Dredging in the channel and digging in the mooring fields

**The next meeting will take place January 22, 2019 5pm**

The meeting adjourned at 6:37 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by David Bailey, recording secretary.

