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*Branford Shellfish Commission*

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Town of Branford, Connecticut

**MINUTES – Tuesday, June 10, 2025**

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Date: Tuesday, June 10, 2025  
Location: Canoe Brook Senior Center/Recreation Dept, **46 Church Street, Branford, CT**  
Time: 5:00 PM

1. Attendance – Tony Pulcinella, David Steinhardt, Marty Hallier, Dave DeBell, John Strell and Robert Lillquist.
2. The meeting was called to order at 5:00PM by Tony Pulcinella.
3. The Minutes of May 13th, 2025 – After a review of last month's minutes, a typo was pointed out by Dave DeBell. The update on Lease Collections was meant to reflect that the Commission Chair was to consult with State Authorities rather than "State Minorities." After this typo was acknowledged and notated, the minutes of May 13<sup>th</sup> were unanimously approved.
4. Review Dock Applications and Shellfish Bed Impact Projects – LWRD Consultation for the Marina Dock Redesign Project located at 3 Indian Point Road was provided to the Commission by David Provencher, consisting of a five-page plan set containing maps, an aerial overview of the dock, a site plan for the rebuilt dock and project elevations accompanied with photos indicating the location of the proposed redesign project. After reviewing the paperwork provided, the commission unanimously agreed that the proposed work will not adversely impact on a shellfish area. As such, Chairman Tony Pulcinella signed the DEEP Pre-Submission Consultation Form.
5. Public Forum – There were no public attendees.
6. Communications with Bills – A letter from John Alves was presented to the commission requesting cancellation of Paynes Point Oyster Company's co-management agreement of Bishop Rock 1A & 1B. It was determined that the commission should honor his request and send a written letter notifying Mr. Alves that he has been released from the co-management of these shellfish beds.
7. Permit Activity – To date, \$6000 in revenue was collected from the sale of 2025 permits.
8. Budget Report – The budget report was presented to the Commission Members.
9. Enforcement Report – No actions.
10. Update on Lease Collections – No update.

11. Old Business – The commission discussed the scheduling of Clam Restocking. On a motion from David Steinhardt, it was unanimously agreed (after discussion and consultation of tide tables) to schedule Clam Restocking for Saturday, July 12<sup>th</sup> with a rain date of Sunday, July 13<sup>th</sup>. The commissioners will meet on the dock at 11:30AM.

12. New Business – None.

13. Adjournment – On a motion by Tony Pulcinella, seconded by Marty Hallier, the meeting was adjourned at 5:34PM by unanimous consent.

Respectfully Submitted, David Raynor, Clerk