

Branford Shellfish Commission

Established 1987

Town of Branford, Connecticut

MEETING MINUTES – Tuesday, December 13, 2022

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Location: Community House, 46 Church Street, Branford, CT

Time: 5:00 PM

1. Attendance: Tony Pulcinella, Marty Hallier, Peter Graves and John Strell.
2. The Meeting was called to Order at 5:05 PM.
3. On a Motion from Marty Hallier, seconded by Peter Graves, the Minutes of the November 8, 2022 Meeting were approved.
4. Review Dock Applications and Shellfish Bed Impact Projects – There are three. First is the Construction of a Shared Residential Dock at 15 & 18-19 Etzel Road – requested by Coastline Consulting & Development LLC. Tony P. presented detailed information on the proposal. Discussion ensued. On a motion by Marty Hallier and seconded by John Strell, it was unanimously agreed to sign off that it will not adversely impact a shellfish area. Second, from John Lust, to Retain and Improve Existing Structures for Water-Dependent Use by Indian Neck Marine Rail LLC on 53-57 Linden Avenue. Jim Wickam presented the project to the Commission. Extensive discussion ensued. On a motion by Marty Hallier, seconded by John Strell, it was unanimously agreed to sign off that the work described will not adversely impact a shellfish area. The third project is to Replace and Improve an Authorized Fixed Wooden Pier at 25 West Point Road (a Private Residence). Jim Wickam presented this project to the Commission, as the homeowner wants to add a ramp and float. Extensive discussion ensued. On a motion by Peter Graves, seconded by John Strell, the motion to approve this project failed. Upon further discussion, this project will be reviewed/revised and re-presented to the Commission at a future meeting. It is anticipated to be addressed again in January 2023.
5. Public Forum – None present.
6. Communications with Bills – Meeting Calendar for 2023 has been filed with the Town Clerk's Office. Meetings are scheduled for the 2nd Tuesday monthly and the meeting room has been reserved. Invoice 1907 from Kelsey's Boatyard for the annual winterization of the Shellfish Commission boat in the amount of \$850.00 was discussed. On a motion from John Strell, seconded by Peter Graves, the invoice was unanimously approved for payment.
7. Permit Activity – \$0 since last meeting.
8. Budget Report – Distributed to Commissioners.
9. Enforcement – No issues presented.
10. Update on Lease Collections – No activity.
11. Old Business – None.
12. New Business – None.

13. Adjournment – On a motion by Marty Hallier, seconded by Peter Graves, the meeting was adjourned at 5:47 by unanimous consent.

Respectfully Submitted,
Doreen Denhardt, Clerk