Town of West Bath
Marine Resources Meeting Minutes
Wednesday, April 27, 2022

Marine Resources:	Warren Swanson, Chair	Present
Committee	Paul Mateosian	Absent
	Tim Davis	Present
	Jason Cray	Absent
	David Morin, Alternate	Present
	Angela Bryant, Alternate	Present
Town Staff:	Karly Perry, Town Clerk	
Select Board Liaison:	Madelyn Hennessey	
Public:	Joe McCole, Jeff Moore, Nicole More, Mark Nelson, Shawn Schutt Mike Innes, Allan Barrington, David Mitchell	

A meeting of the Marine Resources Committee was held on Wednesday, April 27, 2022, at 7pm.

I. CALL TO ORDER at **7:00 pm**

II. ATTENDANCE AND ESTABLISHMENT OF QUORUM – **Yes**

III. APPROVAL OF MINUTES – March 30, 2022
Mr. Swanson, seconded by Mr. Davis moved to approve the minutes. Motion passed unanimously.

IV. BUSINESS ITEMS:

1. **Sabino Landing Update**
Municipal Officer Hennessey reviewed discussion at the Select Board Meeting, noting that most persons present at the meeting were not supportive of improvements to the boat launch. A resident has purchased land near the boat launch (Leighton property) which he was willing to sell to the town but expressed reservation with oyster aquaculture benefitting from the use of the lot.

   The Committee and public agreed that the landing is public and should be open to all residents. Municipal Officer Hennessey stated that moving forward the next step is to have the land surveyed in order to further analyze how best to continue.

2. **Licensing Hours/Conservation Time**
Mr. Swanson stated that he has been trying to get in contact with DMR to schedule a flat survey but has not yet heard back. The Committee will need to wait to hear from DMR in order to move forward.

   Municipal Officer Hennesey discussed conversation at the Select Board Meeting surrounding conservation time, specifically in regard to predator control. The Committee agreed that a log of hours worked would be sufficient. Ms. Perry volunteered to draft sample logs for the Committee to review at the May meeting.

3. Other Business
None

V. WARDENS REPORT
Mr. Moore announced that he has been approached by several people who believe that there is no Shellfish Warden in West Bath. Mr. Davis stated that he had two leads on possible wardens that he is waiting to hear from.

Municipal Officer Hennessey asked if quahog raking is still an issue in Town, to which Mr. Moore expressed his opinion that it was not as much of an issue recently.

VI. PUBLIC COMMENT - None

VII. SET NEXT MEETING DATE
Wednesday, May 25, 2022, at 7:00 pm

VIII. ADJOURNMENT
Mr. Swanson moved to adjourn, seconded by Mr. Morin.
The meeting adjourned at 7:35pm.

A true attested copy,

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Karly A. Perry, Town Clerk