Edgartown Shellfish Committee Tuesday, February 7, 2023, 4:30pm At the Edgartown Library

Present:Ryan Smith, Nic Turner, Madeline Fisher, David FaberShellfish Dept.Rob MorrisonOthers:Juliet Mulinare (Recorder)

The meeting of the Edgartown Shellfish Committee was called to order at 4:30pm. Ryan will serve as Acting Chair.

SHELLFISH PERMITS & AQUACULTURE LICENSES None.

CONSTABLE'S REPORT/SCALLOP SEASON UPDATE

Rob reported that the Deputies are all working, checking in scallopers. January has been a good month since the markets reopened; 1,620 bushels have been brought in, which is around four times as many as last year. Sengekontacket oyster season has also opened. It's business as usual. Rob also reminded the Committee that they need to complete the Conflict of Interest training that is

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TRAINING

Rob reported that he attended the free CPR/First Aid Course in Menemsha, which was done very well. The same folks who provided this training will return in May for additional training (ie. rescue drills).

SEASONAL AQUACULTURE AREA

Rob circulated maps to the Committee, outlining the proposed areas for seasonal aquaculture, for review and comment. He needs to provide the proposed areas to DMF for approval. Nic asked if the areas around the Memorial Wharf slips could be added.

SHELLFISH REGULATIONS REVIEW

The last time this was done was in 2017. Rob requested that the Committee review the redlined version he provided and comment on any changes to be made.

MINUTES

Motion placed on the floor by Nic to approve the 1/17/23 draft minutes, seconded by Madeline. No further discussion, vote taken and approved 3-0-1. Ryan abstains.

The next meeting will be on 2/21/23 in-person at the Library. Rob will provide an update on the Committee's ability to meet via zoom, which expires at the end of March.

At 4:45pm, a motion to adjourn was made and seconded. No further discussion, vote taken and passed unanimously, 4-0

Minutes submitted by Juliet Mulinare.