

Branford Shellfish Commission

Established 1987

Town of Branford, Connecticut

MEETING MINUTES – Tuesday, November 12, 2024

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

Time: 5:00 PM

1. Attendance: Tony Pulcinella, Marty Hallier, Dave DeBell, John Strell and Dave Steinhardt.
2. The Meeting was called to Order at 5:00 PM by Tony Pulcinella.
3. The Minutes of September 10, 2024: On a motion by Marty Hallier, seconded by Dave DeBell, the Minutes of the Meeting were approved. Dave Steinhardt abstained. The Minutes of the Special Meeting of October 15, 2024: on a motion by Dave Steinhardt, seconded by Dave DeBell, some discussion ensued and the minutes were approved.
4. Review Dock Applications and Shellfish Bed Impact Projects – none.
5. Public Forum – None.
6. Communications with Bills – Invoice 2232, dated 8/24/24 in the amount of \$3150.00 from CW Shellfish Company LLC for clams for the restocking that took place on August 24 was submitted for consideration. On a motion from Dave Steinhardt, seconded by Marty Hallier, the invoice was unanimously approved for payment.
7. Permit Activity – No new activity.
8. Budget Report – was presented to the Commissioners.
9. Enforcement – No actions.
10. Update on Lease Collections – No update.
11. Old Business – Tony updated the Commissioners on the stocking of beds with Eel Grass seeds. This was done in collaboration with multiple agencies and through a grant for spot seeding to determine the best spots to do this. Dave DeBell will be making a full presentation to the Commission in either January or February 2025.
12. New Business – 2025 Meeting Schedule – The Branford Shellfish Commission meets on the second Tuesday of each month. In November 2025, however, the BSC will meet on the third Tuesday of the month. The Clerk will post the 2025 Meeting Schedule with the Town Clerk. The Holiday gathering of the Commissioners is planned for Thursday, December 26, 2024.
13. Adjournment – On a motion by Marty Hallier, seconded by Dave Steinhardt, the meeting was adjourned at 5:36 by unanimous consent.

Respectfully Submitted, Doreen Denhardt, Clerk