

## Frenchman Bay Regional Shellfish Municipal Joint Board

### Meeting Minutes

Thursday 19 May 2016

**Location:** Gordon's Wharf - Sullivan

**Time:** 7:00 PM

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1. The meeting was convened at 7:00. Present were board members Dick Fennelly, Gary Edwards, Dana Smith, Mike Hodgkins and Roger Dubois as well as Warden Mike Hall.
2. The meeting minutes for the February 18<sup>th</sup> meeting were unanimously approved on a motion by Dana and second by Roger.
3. Discuss and consider action to make proposed minor administrative amendments to the Frenchman Bay Regional Shellfish Conservation Ordinance and the Frenchman Bay Regional Shellfish Conservation Interlocal Management Agreement, after considering comments received at the public hearing held for that purpose, immediately preceding this meeting. This item was tabled because the notice of the public hearing was not published. There was general discussion and those present agreed that the agent fee should be raised to \$3.00.
4. Discuss and consider action to address the deteriorating condition of the Shellfish Warden vehicle. General discussion followed. Several ideas were brought up including whether the Ellsworth PD has a rotation plan that could help. Not having any financial figures Dick offered to talk with Harold and Terri to try and get some budget figures for the next meeting.
5. Review possible options for temporary Shellfish Warden coverage. There was concern that if Mike has to be away for any extended time, i.e. vacation or illness, there should be someone in place to provide some coverage. Mike and Gary said they would talk to Mike Pinkham.
6. After the most recent application, discuss whether the Board has any concern with regard to renewal applications for mussel, and other, aquaculture leases. The board felt that the current process was working. Dick has made it clear to DMR and the applicants that a specific map and description showing a precise location accompany the permit request. The harvesters do not seem to object to this.
7. Other business, if any.
  - 👉 Mike Hall has been trying to address trespass and littering issues with harvesters, most of the complaints about worm harvesters. Under the current system he has no power of arrest for these infractions.
  - 👉 There was a discussion about the high harvest of resource in Lamoine. There is talk by some Lamoine harvesters advocating for that community to leave the region.
  - 👉 The shellfish committee would like to re-visit Recreational licenses at a future meeting
8. The meeting was adjourned at 8:20.

Respectfully submitted, Gary Edwards, Secretary Pro-temp