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**MINUTES
WESTPORT SHELLFISH COMMISSION
MAY 5, 2021**

ATTENDANCE

Commission Members:

Heather Williams, Chair
Jamie Walsh, Vice-Chair
Matt Dembski
Dick Harris
Clarinda Higgins, Alternate

Ex-Officios:

Alicia Mozian, Conservation Director

Staff:

Susan Voris, Admin Asst. II

The May 5, 2021 meeting of the Westport Shellfish Commission was called to order at 6:30 p.m. via Zoom, by Chairman, Heather Williams.

This is to certify that these minutes and resolutions were filed with the Westport Town Clerk within 7 days of the May 5, 2021 meeting of the Westport Shellfish Commission pursuant to Section 1-225 of the Freedom of Information Act.

Alicia Mozian
Conservation Director

1. Approval of the December 2, 2020 minutes.

The December 2, 2020 minutes were approved as submitted.

7. Old Business

- a. **263 Riverside Avenue:** Review and comment on revised dock plans for resubmission to CT DEEP.

Catherine Calise presented the application on behalf of the property owner.

Ms. Mozian reminded the Commission of what was previously reviewed and the comments given. The previous plan was for a 60-foot extension into the Saugatuck River and the float was 90 feet long.

Ms. Calise stated the revised plan proposes a gangway is 30 feet long connected to a 5-foot by 40-foot long dock so it will not encroach into the river nearly as far. Mushroom anchors will hold the dock in place. Air Pillars will act as float stops. The mushroom anchors will eliminate the need for pilings. If pilings are needed, then they will still be hand driven. The dock will be pre-made and brought in by truck. This is a private dock for public transient use.

Motion to support the plan amendment dated March 31, 2021 for the proposed dock. A finding of not a significant impact to the natural beds was made.

Motion:	Higgins	Second:	Walsh
Ayes:	Higgins, Walsh, Williams, Harris		
Nays:	None	Abstentions:	None
		Vote:	4:0:0

8. Other Business

- a. Canal Beach and Hendrick's Point clean-up

Ms. Higgins did the Canal Beach clean-up. She reported she collected approximately $\frac{3}{4}$ of a bag of garbage.

The Hendrick's Point clean-up is taking place on May 6, 2021 at 4:00 p.m. with Ms. Williams, Mr. Walsh and Mr. Harris participating.

Ms. Williams noted that the "No Shellfishing" sign needs to be replaced.

Ms. Mozian will look into getting the sign and Mr. Walsh will take on installing the sign.

Commission members noted that a "No Littering" sign should be installed in the area.

The May 5, 2021 meeting of the Westport Shellfish Commission adjourned at 7:30 p.m.

Motion:	Williams	Second:	Walsh
Ayes:	Williams, Walsh, Harris, Higgins		
Nays:	None	Abstentions:	None
		Vote:	4:0:0