

Town of Wareham

Marine Resources Commission

Meeting date: June 8, 2016

Attendees: Larry Bearse, Warren Hall Jr., Don Jepson, Jim Smith, Dick Wheeler, Garry Buckminster

The meeting opened at 7:00 PM

The meeting notes for the May meeting were read and approved.

Garry Buckminster provided updates regarding projects with which he is involved. He explained that he is applying for a Mass Works Grant. He indicated that GAF Engineering is working to complete plans for renovating the Onset Boat Ramp. Once the plans are complete the project will go out for bids. Garry also indicated that the company that provided the existing cement floats at the Onset Pier inspected the floats and agreed that they are at the end of their useful life. Garry also provided updates regarding the aquaculture grants and indicated he will be revising the shellfish maps to reflect former aquaculture areas that will be open to recreational shellfishing.

Some discussion was held regarding changes affecting the navigational aids in the Wareham River. Garry indicated that the Coast Guard program to reduce 43 buoys in Buzzards Bay is driven by the Coast Guard's need to save money and that the compromise that was reached regarding the buoys in the Wareham River is the best that the Town will enjoy.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:00 PM.

I attest these are the true MRC minutes of the meeting held June 8, 2016.


Donald H. Jepson, Chairman

Please cc: Board of Selectmen, Harbormaster Office.