COASTAL WATERS COMMITTEE

MINUTES, MEETING OF 2/20/2020

MEMBERS PRESENT: Kevin Wentworth, Justin Doughty, Aaron Rugh, Geoff Summa

PUBLIC PRESENT: Marjorie Stratton, Genaro Balzano, Herb Maine, Carol White

1. Call to Order 6:10

2. Approval of Minutes from 1/16/20.

3. Reports: Harbormaster: NSTR

   Shellfish: NSTR

4. Old Business:

   1. Continued Review of Aquaculture Process. Formulation of questions for meeting with DMR regarding what influence towns actually have and how the statutes could be changed to provide more influence.

      The CWC and BoS are to create a report that contains more details and descriptions than the initial “Lease Impact Assessment” currently in place. This will help CWC inform the BoS of our recommendations on future lease applications.

      Member input to be compiled regarding areas surrounding Chebeague that are used in other fisheries and activities

      GOAL: Create an effective and efficient process to review and assess any applications for Aquaculture in the TOCI coastal waters.

5. New Business:

   a. To set up a meeting with Maine DMR representative Meredith Mendelson for March 16th. Meeting is to ask questions of DMR as to how we can influence the lease process now and how we might increase the town’s influence going forward. Carol White provided valuable insight as to current activities at DMR.

6. Motion to Adjourn at 7:24