

TOWN OF FAIRFIELD SHELLFISH COMMISSION 725 Old Post Road – Fairfield, CT 06824



<u>AGENDA</u> May 14, 2025 7:00pm

The Fairfield Shellfish Commission will hold a Public Meeting at 7:00 p.m. on Wednesday, May 14, 2025 in the 1st Floor Conference Room, Sullivan Independence Hall, Fairfield, CT.

To participate on line via Zoom:

- ✓ Via web browser: <u>https://zoom.us/j/7250682401</u> (Passcode: 123)
- ✓ From the Zoom app on your computer, phone, or tablet: Meeting ID: 725 068 2401 Meeting Passcode: 123

To view live:

- ✓ FairTV's cable channel (channel 79 for Fairfield Optimum Cablevision customers, and channel 6010 for Frontier Cable customers)
- ✓ FairTV's website: <u>www.fairfieldct.org/government/fairtv/index.php</u>
- ✓ YouTube: <u>https://www.youtube.com/@fairtvgovernment720</u>

Via Phone

✓ Call (646) 931-3860/Meeting ID: 725 068 2401 /Meeting Passcode:123

Please Note:

✓ If you call to listen, you will not be heard by the committee members and there will be no live public comment until called for by the Chair during the meeting. The public is encouraged to send their comments before the meeting to the following email: <u>Conservation@fairfieldct.org</u> with Shellfish Commission 5/14/2025 Meeting in the subject line.

I. CALL TO ORDER

II. APPROVAL OF DRAFT MEETING MINUTES

Shellfish Commission Meeting: April 9, 2025



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III. BILLS AND COMMUNICATIONS

1. Committee Reports:

- a) Clam Relay/Planting: Short, Wakeman
- b) Water and Habitat Quality: Wakeman, Enhoffer, Kueffner
- c) Permits and Access: Wakeman, Enhoffer, Wingate
- d) Southport Beach Reopening: Cowan, Wakeman, Kueffner, Stein
- e) Commercial Shellfish Regulations: Cowan, Short, Kueffner
- f) Oyster Bed Development: Short, Stein, Wingate
- g) Communications: Cowan, Kueffner, Wingate
- h) Upwellers: Cowan, Kueffner, Wingate

2. Reports from Conservation Department

- a) Shellfish Fund Balance: \$31,540.57 as of April 30, 2025
- b) Shellfish Permits 2025: 169 as of April 30, 2025
- c) Shellfish Closure Period as of April 30, 2025: Open 109 days; closed 11 days
- d) 2024-2025 Shellfish Commission Budget Status

IV. OLD BUSINESS

- 1. Discussion on plans and goals for 2025
- 2. 2025 Clam Clinic discussion and planning

V. NEW BUSINESS

- 1. M.R.W.C. Presentation on coastal resiliency, discussion.
- 2. Discussion regarding alternate Shellfish Commission members

VI. INFORMATIONAL

VII. OTHER

VIII. PUBLIC COMMENT

IX. ADJOURN