

TOWN OF CLINTON SHELLFISH COMMISSION MEETING
OCT 7, 2025 – TUES 7:00 PM
CLINTON POLICE DEPT COMMUNITY ROOM
MINUTES

Present: Mike Corcoran, Mike Fanning, Wesley Kavanagh, Allen Murphy, Al Walker and Jon Vander Werff

Not Present: James Smith

Volunteer(s): None

Guest(s): None

CALLED TO ORDER

A. Walker called the meeting to order at 7:00pm.

APPROVAL OF PREVIOUS MINUTES

W. Kavanagh made a motion, seconded by A. Murphy and unanimously approved minutes from September 2, 2025 meeting.

FINANCIAL-Current

W. Kavanagh made a motion, seconded by A. Murphy and unanimously approved the following expenses:

W. Kavanagh	\$ 51.80	9/10/25 Milage
M. Corcoran	\$ 10.50	10/3/25 Milage

FINANCIAL-Outstanding

None

RECREATIONAL

- Shellfish beds A&B reopened Friday 10/3/25, a month sooner than anticipated after months of being closed.
 - The commission posted the opening on “Positively Clinton” on Friday (10/3) for public awareness.
 - Licenses are now available for purchase for the remainder of 2025 in Town Clerk’s Office.
 - Notice will be added to the Town Hall Led Sign
- Patrolling Report: J. Vander Werff reported seeing no one clamming
- Permit has been obtained for transport of clams for stocking during 10/10-10/17/25.
- During a recent volunteer clean up at Clinton Beach, concern was raised again, that even after almost 2 months there was a lot of firework shells/paper litter in the parking lot, beach, grass and a ***large concern of contamination in the water.***
 - Suggestions were made to present the town an alternative for next year of using a Drone Lightshow Display. Benefits: Safer, cleaner, less noise factor, less litter and safer for our waters.
- J. Vander Werff gave an update regarding the Shellfish handout; maps are being finalized and will be presented at next November’s meeting.
- Shore Road needs further discussion, research regarding signage and parking

LEASING/COMMERCIAL

- Indian River needs to be invoiced for their current 4 year lease. A. Walker will provide an invoice to Indian River.
- Discussion on proposed lease areas in Hammock & Hammonasset river. Discuss to be continued to clarify mapped out areas which are options.

REGULATORY AND COMPLIANCE

- Last test was good.
- Testing is performed monthly, with timing based on rain and hours of operation at testing lab.

OTHER

- Shellfish Commission will be participating in “Christmas in Clinton” on Saturday 12/6/25
 - Selling Clam Chowder
 - Selling Shellfish Licenses
 - Possibly bumper sticker(s)
- Boat covers were purchased and installed.
- Clinton Shellfish Commission member(s) will attend Madison Shellfish Commission meeting for shared information/knowledge.
- Clintonshellfish.org website needs to have Recreational Map & Information updated from 2024 to 2025.
- 2026 Shellfish Licenses to be discussed at next meeting in Nov 2025.
 - Color for 2026 for licenses
 - Pricing
 - To continue or discontinue sales of licenses on website. Licenses are available at Town Clerk’s office and seasonally at Clinton Town Marina office.

ADJOURN MEETING

M. Corcoran made a motion, seconded by J. Vander Werff and unanimously approved to adjourn meeting at 8:30pm.

Submitted by:
Monica Larsen, Clerk

2025 Constable Schedule:			
09/07/25	thru	09/13/25	Wes Kavanaugh
09/14/25	thru	09/20/25	Mike Corcoran
09/21/25	thru	09/27/25	Allen Murphy
09/28/25	thru	10/04/25	Al Walker
10/05/25	thru	10/11/25	Jon Vanderwerff
10/12/25	thru	10/18/25	Mike Fanning
10/19/25	thru	10/25/25	Jim Smith
10/26/25	thru	11/01/25	Wes Kavanaugh
11/02/25	thru	11/08/25	Mike Corcoran
11/09/25	thru	11/15/25	Allen Murphy
11/16/25	thru	11/22/25	Al Walker
11/23/25	thru	11/29/25	Jon Vanderwerff
11/30/25	thru	12/06/25	Mike Fanning
12/07/25	thru	12/13/25	Jim Smith
12/14/25	thru	12/20/25	Wes Kavanaugh
12/21/25	thru	12/27/25	Mike Corcoran
12/28/25	thru	01/03/26	Allen Murphy
01/04/26	thru	01/10/26	Al Walker
01/11/26	thru	01/17/26	Jon Vanderwerff
01/18/26	thru	01/24/26	Mike Fanning
01/25/26	thru	01/31/26	Jim Smith
02/01/26	thru	02/07/26	Wes Kavanaugh
02/08/26	thru	02/14/26	Mike Corcoran
02/15/26	thru	02/21/26	Allen Murphy
02/22/26	thru	02/28/26	Al Walker
03/01/26	thru	03/07/26	Jon Vanderwerff
03/08/26	thru	03/14/26	Mike Fanning
03/15/26	thru	03/21/26	Jim Smith

2025 Meetings Schedule
01/07/25
02/04/25
03/04/25
04/01/25
05/06/25
06/03/25
07/01/25
08/05/25
09/02/25
10/07/25
11/04/25
12/02/25

2025 Weather Station Maintenance
12/19/24 Wayne & Wes Completed