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**Meeting Minutes**  
**Thursday November 7, 2013**  
**6:00 PM – East Conference Room, Town Hall**

**MEMBERS PRESENT:** Mike Brown (Chairman), Jessica Joyce, Chuck Piacentini, Charles Adams, Bob Maloney, Harland Storey, Bill Mullin

**OTHERS PRESENT:** Town Manager Shane, Lt. Milton Calder

**I. Roll Call & Welcome**

Chairman Brown welcomed everyone and called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

**II. Approval of April 18, 2013 minutes**

Motion by Mr. Storey, seconded by Mr. Adams, to approve the April 18, 2013 meeting minutes as presented.

VOTE: 7-0                  UNANIMOUS

**III. 2014 License Allocations**

The commission discussed the allocations and decided to eliminate commercial licenses altogether and leave the recreational license allocations as is (unlimited resident, 25 non-resident, 8 resident monthly, 2 non-resident monthly).

Mr. Storey said that rather than have the commercial diggers clean the flats out completely, allow a season to “let them rest” and not be completely depleted.

Mr. Adams spoke about the green crab problem. He had attempted to trap them over the summer, but the number of crabs became overwhelming and he had to stop. It appears that the change in water temperature seems to have increased the number of crabs on the shoreline.

Town Manager Shane said that he would check with the Freeport and Yarmouth Town Manager’s to see what they are doing about the green crab problem.

Motion by Mr. Piacentini, seconded by Mr. Adams, to propose the following license allocations to the Town Council for 2014:

Unlimited resident recreational licenses, 25 non-resident resident licenses, 8 monthly resident licenses, 2 monthly non-resident licenses, and no resident or non-resident commercial licenses.

VOTE: 7-0                  UNANIMOUS

**IV. Changes in State Law re: Junior Licenses**

Town Manager Shane said that the State recently made fishing licenses to children under the age of 16 not a requirement. He only mentions this so that in the future, the Commission may want to consider making shellfish licenses free to juniors.

**V. Other Business**

Mr. Adams asked Mr. Shane about a sign or crosswalk on Route 88 for pedestrians to cross the road to get to the clam flat access.

Mr. Shane said he would have Public Works install 2 Clam Crossing signs and crosswalk striping in the spring. He will also contact the Boy Scouts to see if they can make two additional kiosks for both access locations in the spring.

**VI. Adjournment**

Motion by Mr. Adams, seconded by Mr. Storey, to adjourn.

VOTE: 7-0 UNANIMOUS

TIME: 7:23 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by,

Brenda Moore  
Committee Secretary