

Gloucester Fisheries Commission
Minutes of April 19, 2018
Gloucester City Hall [9 Dale Ave.](#)
First Floor Conference Room 7 p.m

Al Cottone, Executive Director
Mark Ring, Chair
Scott Memhard, Vice Chair

Commission Members

Angela Sanfilippo
Paul Vitale
Scott Swicker
Dave Leveille
Michael Orlando

Call to Order

Mark Ring motioned, Al Cottone seconded, and a quorum was presented at 7:02.

Approval of Minutes

N/A

Update on Gloucester Fresh Program and Recap of Boston Seafood Show.

Motion: Angela Sanfilippo motioned to accept Topside Grille, Lobster Land, and Milemarker into the Gloucester Fresh program. All were in favor. Passes unanimously.

Angela felt we needed more information about the Gloucester Fresh program to circulate. Discussion ensued.

Executive Directors Report on upcoming May 1 Fishing Year.

Scallop and Pogy update.

Dave and Mark spoke about the state boat quotas. They are looking into how it operates and the methods of reporting. Dave updated the commission about the proceedings around Sector 9 permits moving to Sector 7, causing issues for the fisheries as a whole.

New Business

Michael Orlando has joined the Fisheries Commission

Fisherman's Wives Association made a trip to Belmont to network around monkfish.

Late September early October there will be a Seafood Day at the State House.

Upcoming Safety Training

The observer program is on and has been fully funded at 100% coverage.

Open call: Angela is coordinating a safety training on May 3rd and Drill Conductor May 4th at Coast Guard Station, Gloucester.

Angela Sanfillippo provided various updates.

Dead in the Water showings

Cape Ann Cinema is going to show *Dead in the Water* on July 2nd. Upcoming showings will be Kittery, Norwich University, Scituate, and April 30th at The State House in Boston. Recent showing at Northeastern University was well attended and received positive feedback.

- Angela is getting calls from people across the Eastern Seaboard who express disapproval of the windmills project.
- Last meeting on the Northeastern University Socioeconomic study was April 18, 2018. Results will emerge later this year.

Oral Communications

- Written Communications from Suzanne of Phil Bolger & Friends Inc.

Motion to Adjourn.

Joe Orlando motioned, Scott Swicker seconded, the meeting was adjourned at 7:59PM.