

## Gouldsboro Shellfish Agenda for May 13, 2026

1. Call Meeting to Order
2. Approval of the Meeting Minutes from April 8, 2026
3. Adjustments to the Agenda
4. Update Pauline
5. Update Bill
6. Update Heidi
7. Deep Cove Access (Sean Desjarden)
8. Conservation Time/Meeting Time
9. Conservation Time (5/17 6 am) (5/31 6 am)
10. Clam Day on the Flats (July 19 @ 930 am)
11. Update on Ordinance changes to Select Board
12. Public Hearing Results
13. Getting folks to meeting on Municipal Shellfish (Good/Bad)
14. Moving Lab Equipment
15. Next Scheduled Meeting is June 10, 2026
16. Motion to Adjourn

## Gouldsboro Shellfish Meeting Minutes for May 13, 2026

Committee Members Present: David, Jon and Wayne

1. Wayne called the meeting to Order at 1800 hours
2. Approval of meeting minutes from April 8, 2026-- David made a motion to approve as written, 2<sup>nd</sup> Jon, motion carried unanimously
3. Adjustments to the agenda –Introduced Dawn Eaton to harvesters, Hog Island to Bunker Cove Closed Area
4. Pauline had nothing
5. Bill told us that he submitted a proposal to build a bridge in Corea that got washed out, will in late 2026 or early 2027 whether the Town gets it
6. Heidi wasn't in attendance, Mike told us that he submitted the corrected closure paperwork to Heidi for the Hog Island to Bunker Cove area. The change extends the closing date from April 30, 2026 to June 30, 2026 and reopening on November 1, 2026
7. Mike told us that Sean Desjarden at 617 Paul Bunyon Shores, told him the diggers could park in his yard to access Deep Cove. He told him that if he was there that the diggers stop by and introduce themselves.
8. Mike updated folks on the amount of meeting and conservation time that each of them had.
9. Mike told that he plans to hold conservation time on Sunday 5/17, that he would pay attention to the weather to make a decision on location. He would do the same for May 31
10. Mike mentioned having Clam Day on the flats for July 19 @ 930 am, folks thought it was a good idea, they suggested that we bring a net and Beal Boxes to show attendees some things they might see on the flats.
11. Mike told us he presented the proposed changes to the ordinance to the select board, there weren't any questions on the changes except about additional ability to regulate fines.
12. Mike told us that he went over the proposed changes to the ordinance, so the public could ask any questions about the changes. There were no questions.

13. We had a discussion regarding what it would take to get diggers to a listening type meeting. A couple comments were made about poor communication and poor listening. Mike explained that SHAC stands for Shellfish Advisory Council and they are an advisory council to DMR. A comment was that the SHAC should send out the agenda for SHAC as a Gov Delivery. The second comment was if they was a meeting that not sure that anyone would listen. Mike told us that is not true DMR will listen, that doesn't mean that they will always agree. Mike and Ronnie told us that SHAC has done a lot of good things, it takes time to get things done, it is not a quick process. A suggestion was made that SHAC should send out a list of some of the work that has been done in the past.

14. Mike told us that he had another offer to locate the lab somewhere else. He told us that he and Bill were going to meet with those folks and see what is expected and if it will work. He told us that he would reach out about moving the lab equipment as soon as a decision was made. The equipment needs to be moved soon.

15. Next Scheduled Meeting is June 10, 2026, Bill reminded me that is Town Meeting. We agreed June 17<sup>th</sup> as the last meeting until September.

16. Motion to Adjourn was made by David, 2<sup>nd</sup> Jon, motion carried unanimously

Submitted by Gouldsboro Shellfish Warden  
Michael A. Pinkham