



Rhode Island Marine Fisheries Council

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RIMFC MEETING

May 2, 2011 – 6:00 PM

URI Narragansett Bay Campus, Corless Auditorium
South Ferry Road, Narragansett, RI

FINAL AGENDA

Date Posted 4/22/2011

Robert Ballou
Chairman
423-1926

Stephen Medeiros
Vice Chairman
826-2121

Kenneth Ketcham
783-2222

Dr. Seth Macinko
874-4820

Stephen Parente
783-4886

Dr. Chris Anderson
874-4587

Richard Hittinger
739-1875

Richard Bellavance
741-5648

Agenda item	Agenda item detail	Suggested action
1. Approval of Agenda	5-2-2011 RIMFC Agenda	Approval of 5-2-2011 agenda
2. Approval of Minutes	RIMFC 3-7-2011 meeting minutes	Approval of 3-7-2011 meeting minutes
3. Public Comments	Comments from the public	No action, may take under consideration
4. Advisory Panel Reports	a. IAC (3/28/2011) - R. Bellavance	No action needed -review IAC recommendation for M. Goerner aquaculture lease application.
	b. Shellfish (3/15/2011) - R. Hittinger	Review minutes, and recommendations
	c. Scup/Black Sea Bass (4/12/2011) - K. Ketcham	Review minutes, and recommendations for recreational black sea bass
5. New Business	a. Council recommendations on April 18, 2011 public hearing items – B. Ballou	Council recommendations to the Director on black sea bass recreational mgt. plan; gen. cat. commercial scup, skates, whelk/conch; and items pertaining to the implementation of RI Recreational Saltwater Fishing Licenses and vessel-based regulations
	b. Legislative Bill 2011-H5693 amends penalties for possession of striped bass – S. Medeiros	Provide letter to Senator Sosnowski from the RIMFC in support of the bill
	c. Discussion on Friday/Saturday summer flounder fishery closure – S. Parente	Discussion to revisit this issue for consideration and action
	d. Discussion about implementing a fillet law in RI – B. Ballou	Discussion and recommendations to the Director
	e. Recreational Saltwater Fishing License - Accountability and Oversight – B. Ballou	Discussion and recommendations to the Director
	f. Approval of IAC agendas for July and August – R. Bellavance	Approval of agendas pertaining to discussions on commercial licensing for 2012
6. Old Business	a. Continued discussion about future review procedures and appropriate advisory panel for aquaculture lease applications – B. Ballou	Discussion and recommendations on whether to establish an aquaculture lease review advisory panel and who should be on it or add members to the IAC.
7. ASMFC - NEFMC Updates	a. ASMFC and NEFMC meeting summaries – M. Gibson	FYI - no action needed
8. FYI	a. Letter received from J. Harsch RE: shore digging in Shellfish Mgt. Areas – B. Ballou	For consideration
9. Adjourn		

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