



MEETING POSTING

TOWN OF NANTUCKET

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Committee/Board/s

Harbor & Shellfish Advisory Board

Day, Date, and Time

Tuesday, Oct. 21, 2025 at 5 p.m. via Zoom

Location / Address

Meeting trailer – 131 Pleasant St., Nantucket, MA 02554 and Via Zoom:
in Zoom Meeting –

<https://us06web.zoom.us/j/84583294428?pwd=KxoHkQit58qdsXIwstGKQk2ZfR2Sno.1>

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Signature of Chair or Authorized Person

Peter B. Brace - Secretary

WARNING:

IF THERE IS NO QUORUM OF MEMBERS PRESENT, OR IF MEETING POSTING IS NOT IN COMPLIANCE WITH THE OML STATUTE, NO MEETING MAY BE HELD!

AGENDA

Please list below the topics the chair reasonably anticipates will be discussed at the meeting

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CALL TO ORDER

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Draft minutes of Oct. 7, 2025

CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

MARINE DEPARTMENT REPORT

General Marine Department Report – Sheila Lucey

NATURAL RESOURCES REPORT

General Natural Resources report – NRD staff

PUBLIC COMMENT ON MARINE AND OR NATURAL RESOURCES DEPARTMENT REPORT

OLD BUSINESS

Commercial bay scallop bushel limit increase to six bushels from five starting Nov. 3, 2025 in anticipation of the potential high volume of bay scallops in Nantucket and Madaket harbors - Discussion

Possible solutions for locating viable areas for intertidal oyster farming in Nantucket's harbors and getting that harbor bottom surveyed and qualified by relevant state and Town shellfish officials – Discussion

HEALTH OF THE HARBORS

NEW BUSINESS

Bay scallop dredge weight and enforcement concerns heading into the 2025/2026 commercial bay scallop season - Discussion

PUBLIC QUESTIONS AND COMMENT

RECAP and ITEMS FOR NEXT MEETING

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Future Meetings:

Nov. 4 and Nov. 18

Public Comment procedures for HSAB

Robert's Rules of Order

The Harbor & Shellfish Advisory Board follows Robert's Rules of Order to govern its meetings as per the Town Code and Charter.

Quorum

If there is not quorum of members present, or if the meeting posting is not in compliance with the Commonwealth of Massachusetts' Open Meeting Law, no meeting will be held. For more information on the Open Meeting Law, please visit the Attorney General's website at www.mass.gov/ago/government-resources/open-meeting-law/

Public Participation

The Harbor & Shellfish Advisory Board welcomes the always valuable input from the public during the discussion of agenda items at appropriate times during the meeting with recognition by the chair. For discussions of agenda items, the chair will introduce the item, take comments and questions from the board and staff, and then lastly, decide if it will take public input. Board members may then have questions on the clarity of information presented thus far. The HSAB will then hear any further staff input and then deliberate on a course of action before taking a vote.

Specific Public Comment

The Harbor & Shellfish Advisory Board provides two public comment opportunities on its agenda, one for issues related the Marine and Natural Resources Departments, and one at the end of the meeting for all other issues. These Public Comment periods are not to be used to present charges or complaints against any specifically named individual, public or private; instead, all such charges or complaints should be presented in writing to the Harbormaster and/or the Natural Resources Director who can then give notice and an opportunity to be heard to the named individual as per MGL Ch. 39, s 23B, if applicable.

Proper Public Comment Protocol

The Harbor & Shellfish Advisory Board welcomes concise statements on matters that are within its purview. However, under the state's Open Meeting Law, HSAB is not required to allow public comment and participation during its meetings. Rather, public comment is a privilege the HSAB affords those who attend its meetings. As such, HSAB expects the utmost level of civility and adherence to its public commenting/participation procedures outlined herein. To wit, any speaking without being recognized by

the chair, personal remarks, attacks, shouting or cross-talk will not be tolerated. Those who wish to speak during the public comment period or on a specific item must do so by raising their hand to be recognized by the chair. As exceedingly long comments are not appropriate, generally, two to three minutes is sufficient to get your thoughts into the record. When recognized by the chair, please state your name and any organization(s) or individual(s) you may represent. And in the interest of time, if your position has already been stated, please say so and then affirm your position.