

Atlantic States Marine Fisheries Commission

Executive Committee

October 23, 2024

8:00 – 10:00 a.m.

Draft Agenda

The times listed are approximate; the order in which these items will be taken is subject to change; other items may be added as necessary.

A portion of this meeting may be a closed for Committee members and Commissioners only.

1. Welcome/Call to Order (*J. Cimino*)
2. Board Consent
 - Approval of Agenda
 - Approval of Meeting Summary from August 2024
3. Public Comment
4. Review and Consider Approval of FY24 Audit (*L. Leach*)
5. Legislative Update (*A. Law*)
6. New ASMFC Website Demo, if time allows (*T. Berger/K. Cunningham*)
7. Future Annual Meetings Update
8. Other Business/Adjourn

The meeting will be held at The Westin Annapolis (100 Westgate Circle, Annapolis, Maryland; 88.627.8994) and via webinar; click [here](#) for details.

**DRAFT MEETING SUMMARY OF THE
ATLANTIC STATES MARINE FISHERIES COMMISSION
EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE**

**Westin Crystal City
Arlington, VA**

August 7, 2024

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ATTENDANCE

Committee Members

Pat Keliher, ME
Cheri Patterson, NH
Dennis Abbott, NH (LA Chair)
Dan McKiernan, MA, Vice Chair
Jason McNamee, RI
Justin Davis, CT
Marty Gary, NY
Joe Cimino, NJ, Chair
Kris Kuhn, PA

Roy Miller, DE (GA Chair)
John Clark, DE
Lynn Fegley, MD
Jamie Green, VA
Chris Batsavage, proxy for Kathy Rawls, NC
Ben Dyar, SC
Doug Haymans, GA
Erika Burgess, FL

Other Commissioners/Proxies

Pat Geer, VMRC AA proxy
Jim Gilmore, NY
Allison Hepler, ME LA
Gary Jennings, FL GA
Ray Kane, MA GA
Robert LaFrance, CT GA Proxy

John Maniscalco, NY DEC
Nichola Meserve, MA DMF
Eric Reid, RI LA proxy
Dave Sikorski, MD LA proxy
Megan Ware, ME DMR
Renee Zobel, NH F&G

Staff

Bob Beal
Alexander Law

Laura Leach
Madeline Musante

Guests

Margaret Conroy, DEDNREC
Chip Lynch, NOAA
Brian McManus, FFWC
Allison Murphy, NMFS
Ronald Owens, PRFC
Will Poston, ASGA

CALL TO ORDER

The Executive Committee of the Atlantic States Marine Fisheries Commission convened August 7, 2024 in the Jefferson Ballroom at The Westin Crystal City in Arlington, Virginia. The meeting was called to order at 8:05 a.m. by Chair Joe Cimino.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

The agenda was approved as presented.

APPROVAL OF SUMMARY MINUTES

The summary minutes from the May 1, 2024 meeting were approved as presented.

PUBLIC COMMENT

There was no public comment.

LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE UPDATE

Legislative Program Coordinator Alexander Law provided an update to the Executive Committee on the strengths of the FY25 Senate CJS bill, and plans to garner support for provisions which are of benefit to ASMFC. William Hyatt presented on

Senator Shaheen's (NH) State Boating Act, and urged the Executive Committee to support the bill. Next, there was a Q&A session with Anderson Tran of Congressman Graves's office on the Fisheries Data Modernization and Accuracy Act of 2024. Mr. Tran committed to continuing to work with the Commission to develop bill language that considers the priorities of the Atlantic coast. Updated draft language will be circulated in the fall for discussion.

FUTURE ANNUAL MEETING LOCATIONS

Mrs. Leach provided an update on future Annual Meeting locations. In October 2024 the Annual Meeting will be in Annapolis, Maryland; in 2025 Delaware; in 2026 Rhode Island; in 2027 South Carolina; in 2028 Massachusetts; in 2029 Pennsylvania and in 2030 Georgia.

ADJOURN

The Executive Committee adjourned at 9:20 a.m.