MOULTONBOROUGH, TUFTONBORO, WOLFEBORO Joint Board Meeting for the NH LAKES IMA Joint Board on Aquatic Nuisance Plant Control

August 4, 2010 Meeting Minutes

Present; Daniel Duffy (T-P), Ken Marschner, (W-P), Linda Murray, (W-P) Carter Terenzini (M-P), Karin Nelson (M-P), Bill Marcussen (T-P), Dan Williams (T-A), David Owen (W-A)

Absent: Bob Boyan (M-A) (w/prior notification)

Ken Marschner called the meeting to order at 9:05 with introductions and an explanation of how we came to be assembled. This new Joint Board was to carry out the intent of the Intermunicipal Agreement (IMA) signed by the three Towns to provide a common means of tackling milfoil. With the approval of the Attorney General's office and filing with each Town Clerk the agreement was now effective.

Mr. Marschner reviewed the past efforts and status of three groups primarily involved in the Multi-Town NH LAKES Grant Process:

- A. Grant Working Group
- B. DASH Subcommittee
- C. Administrative & Procedures Subcommittee

Election of Officers: A Chair and Clerk are called for in the IMA. Carter made a motion and Karin seconded to elect Ken as Chair. Carter spoke to Ken's considerable history with the milfoil matters and thought we would benefit from his guidance. All were in full agreement and the motion carried unanimously. Ken accepted and opened the floor for nominations for Clerk. Linda moved and Karin seconded to elect Carter as Clerk. The motion carried unanimously.

Approve of a Fiscal Agent Town: One community is to receive and then, after approval by this Board, disburse the funding. Dave said Wolfeboro had agreed to do so. After discussion in response to an inquiry as to why Wolfeboro might be the best town to do this, Carter moved and Dan seconded to designate Wolfeboro as our Fiscal Agent. The motion carried unanimously. Carter moved and Bill seconded to have the Fiscal Agent invoice all the three towns for their \$5K contribution apiece and the NH LAKES for their grant. The motion carried unanimously.

Next Steps – DASH Subcommittee on the Purchase of Pontoon Watercraft: Tom Ouhrabka, lead on the DASH subcommittee was present and gave an overview of their work to date and possible configurations and merits of various DASH units. He noted these would be retrofitted onto watercraft that we still need to obtain with a 24' pontoon boat seeming to be the preferred platform. After lengthy discussion on the DASH units themselves Carter questioned if it would not be best to procure these platforms first. Then the DASH fabricators would be better able to estimate their work to mount the fabricated units on the platforms. Linda said we could do this through a motion; something like "...to allow the DASH Subcommittee up to \$5K for the

purchase of a complete Boat/Motor/Trailer." Dan asked when money would be available. Dave reviewed how it was processed and thought money would be available within the next week. There was discussion as to whether to advertise to see what was out there or continue to scour the area as we had been (Dan had a referral for Tom).

Carter also asked if NH Lakes needed to know what kind of equipment we would be acquiring in order to price the per-diem rate for the next season and our budgeting purposes. Linda pointed out that the best thing to do for this first year might just be for Towns to use the standing rate Wolfeboro was currently being quoted. The actual rate should be less since, as the prime motivation behind the grant being approved – we would now own the capital equipment. Dave spoke to the budget cycle in general and noted we would need figures for the three Towns by October 30 under the IMA.

After discussion on whether or not we needed one or two boats it was suggested that we allow them up to \$10k for two boats. Karin wanted to be sure our vote was constructed in a way where they couldn't use it all for just one boat while Tom spoke to the flexibility that one boat might be \$7k while the second might only be \$5k. Karin moved and Linda seconded to authorize the DASH Subcommittee up to \$6K apiece for up to 2 boats (\$12k). The motion carried unanimously.

Other Business: Dan reported that the Tuftonboro mapping has been completed by DES. The Tuftonboro representatives spoke to their need to get the information out to all and of the interest they have received from private partners. The Economic Model of how lower property values on the waterfront impact the tax rate for those in other areas of town was discussed with reference made to work done by Peter Jensen that might be helpful.

Dan reported that the LRPC was doing work on the area watershed (Phase I: Meredith, Laconia, Gilford and Phase II: Center Harbor, Moultonborough, Sandwich, Tuftonboro). He described a letter from the LRPC and the consensus was to draft a letter of support for their efforts.

With respect to the Board it was determined to call it the Milfoil Joint Board.

Next meeting date was tentatively set for September 15^{th} at 9:00 am at the Moultonborough Town Hall

Motion by Bill, seconded by Dan to adjourn at 11:09 am. The motion carried unanimously.

Date Respectfully Submitted Carter Terenzini