## Conservation Commission Milfoil Committee

For Wed., February15<sup>th</sup>, 2012 @ 4:00 PM in the Library BackRoom Meeting Minutes

Members Present: Chairman Peter Jensen, Karin Nelson, Bev Nelson, Al Hoch, Paul Ardito Members Absent: Ginny Gassman, Brian Litkof, Sue Connolly, Paul Daisy Others: Bob Goffredo

The meeting began at 4:05PM.

### Agenda

#### I. Approval of Minutes:

Al moved to accept the minutes of February 1<sup>st</sup>, 2012. The motion was seconded byKarin and unanimously approved.

#### II. New Business:

Karin said Ken Marschner spoke briefly at the IMA/MJB meeting earlier in the day about HB1529. This is the proposal to ban use of herbicide with ten miles of a public water intake and also to ban use of fluoride in drinking water. Ken thinks the bill has been broken into separate parts to deal with the herbicide and fluoride in separate bills. He thinks the whole legislative issue may fall by the wayside this year but he will keep a close eye on it never-the-less.

#### III. Continued Business:

#### • Five-Year Plan

*List of potential treatment abutters*: Karin noted she has not yet received Peter's updates. She also said Brian may not be able to complete his portion and asked Bev and Al to split the work between them if needed – they agreed.

Peter will contact the town to confirm the town has received the grant monies from last year from the State and also that if "Yes", the monies have been given to the Milfoil Trust fund.

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#### • Lake Hosts:

No discussion

#### • Weed Watchers

Bev is going to try getting the Association contact list from Ginny as soon as she can make contact with her.

Bev said she would like to have weed watcher's needs and contact info in the next newsletter explaining the importance of the work to our control program.

#### Tri-Town DASH Initiative (now known as Milfoil Joint Board, MJB)

Brian and Al may have trailers that can be used for milfoil transport. They are concerned it may be difficult to easily dump the milfoil out of the trailers. Peter said he is still discussing options with Scott Kinmond. Peter will contact Spider Web Gardens to see if they would take milfoil. Karin will ask the Agnars if they would take some for land fill. Al said he had heard Miracle Farms had taken milfoil last year. Peter will speak with Chris Maroun as well.

Karin reported that the MJB head is still looking for a 10% fee assessed on the diver cost to compensate NH Lakes for their booking and other administrative work related to establishing a diver pool and paying approved invoices from the divers. She explained that Carter had made a counter proposal to compensate NH Lakes with a flat \$5K, equally shared by each of the three towns, for fixed costs. To compensate them for variable costs they would get a 5% fee assessed on the diver cost. The committee believes this is a better solution though still excessive. Peter reiterated his preference for flat fees for everything as this work is most like bookkeeping or payroll. All the businesses providing such services (payroll and bookkeeping) that the milfoil committee members have experienced in their collective backgrounds have charged flat rates for such services.

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The MJB committee voted to have Carter's counter proposal offered instead of the 10% fees assessment (Karin voted NO to the 10% fee and \$5k+5% fee). Al will work with Carter to flesh out the proposal. The MJB will also redevelop the work task list describing what NH Lakes will do in exchange for the fee to help with the diver pool.

The bids for diver work came in higher than the previous year.

Karin reported that the OSHA testing on the DASH air for the upcoming season will be about \$350 less than last year's tests.

Al reported that the dock donated by Cindy and Ken may not work for the DASH boats as the DASH discharge equipment is on the wrong side of the boat for this dock – they only tie up on the starboard side of the boat. However the dock would be very useful for other Diver boats.

#### IV. Other

Peter shared his letter to the editor with the committee; he asked for and received suggestions for improvement.

#### Next Meeting:

The next two meetingswill beon February 15<sup>th</sup> and March 14th, both at 4pmin the Moultonborough Library Back Room and both are Wednesdays. After that we will change our normal meeting time to evenings again and possibly change the week day as well.

#### V. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 5:25PM.

Respectfully Submitted,

Peter Jensen Moultonborough Milfoil Committee, Chair