

Conservation Commission
Milfoil Committee

For Wed., February 29th, 2012 @ 4:00 PM in the Library Program Room
Meeting Minutes

Members Present: Chairman Peter Jensen, Karin Nelson, Al Hoch, Paul Ardito, Paul Daisy

Members Absent: Bev Nelson, Ginny Gassman, Brian Litkof, Sue Connolly

Others: Bob Goffredo

The meeting began at 4:00 PM.

Agenda

I. Approval of Minutes:

Al moved to accept the minutes of February 15th, 2012, with corrections on the last page changing the next meeting from 2/15 to 2/29 and in the first section of the Five-Year Plan changing Al's name to Paul A. as the person helping to complete abutter correction work. The motion was seconded by Karin and unanimously approved.

II. New Business:

Paul D. spoke about a move in Concord to return to a permit process similar to several years past where any one of the departments who comment on an application have the ability to stop a permit process irrespective of the other departments. Currently it is the Pesticide division of the Agriculture dept. that has sole final say after they review comments from the different departments. Paul D. spoke with Stewart Lamprey about the issue and Stewart advised us to attend the meetings in Concord if we can. Paul D. also spoke briefly about HB1529. This is the proposal to ban use of herbicide within ten miles of a public water intake and also to ban use of fluoride in drinking water. This has been broken into two separate bills that will be considered independently of each other.

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III. Continued Business:

- **Five-Year Plan**

List of potential treatment abutters: Karin noted the abutters list update work was completed and the updated list emailed to ACT in electronic format per their request.

Peter contacted the town which confirmed they received the grant monies from last year from the State. They will turn the grant money over to the Trustees for deposit into the Milfoil Trust fund. Next year our milfoil control needs request should be partially funded by the grant of \$16K+ already received from the State plus any added grant monies for the current year that are received prior to completion of the 2013 budgeting process. There is potential for a bit over \$30K additional grant monies in addition to the \$16K+ already received.

- **Lake Hosts:**

Paul A. said Cathy Cunningham has agreed to be our Managing Lake Host again. He also said the grant application for Lake Hosts for 2012 has been submitted to NH Lakes. For this year, 2012, after discussions with NH Lakes, we have submitted a grant application for the amount of \$3,750 compared with \$1750 for 2010 and \$2500 for 2011. Moultonborough's cost, including grant match, will be \$8,914.68 if all 33 days are fully staffed.

- **Weed Watchers**

Peter explained Bev and Ginny were both unable to attend but have communicated they are making progress with the 2012 Weed Watcher plan including the plan to solicit more involvement by the many lake associations in town.

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

Al explained the MJB was in the process of finalizing agreements with NH Lakes and the agreement template that would be with the dive-team vendors. They are currently looking at a \$5K flat fee for NH Lakes annual work to bid and administer agreements with the vendors. The \$5K fee would be evenly divided between the three towns - \$1.667K each. The towns would also also pay NH Lakes a 5% surcharge of the vendor's fee for their administrative work. Lastly each town would pay a daily fee of \$175 per DASH unit for each day the MJB's DASH units are used in their waters. So as an example; a dive-team charging \$950/day that uses an MJB DASH unit would cost the town \$1,172.50 per day. The contract with NH Lakes will have a three year term.

The Committee reviewed what the probable least number of days would be that we would need a dive-team and decided, after much discussion, that we expect 120 days would be a reasonable minimum to request. The Committee agreed that we should ask for AB Aquatics as the primary dive-team vendor because their 2011 performance using the 2012 quotes, by a very large margin, offers the lowest cost per gallon of milfoil harvested.

IV. Other

Peter said he had discussed the purchase of a used trailer with DPW Director Scott Kinmond. Peter sent Scott information for possible purchase of a dump trailer such as used Military Surplus M101A1 ¾ Ton Dump Trailer models that can be found in many ads on the internet for \$500 to \$900.

Karin said the Agnars have said they would accept as much milfoil as we want to dump for landfill in specified areas of their property in the Fox Hollow area.

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The Committee discussed the value of keeping records of regrowth relative to weather as this winter the milfoil may have been exposed to much more light than in the normal winter due to diminished ice on the water.

Al reviewed some other specifics that were being modified in the MJB contracts prior to final agreement.

Next Meeting:

The next meeting will be on Wednesday, March 14th, at 4pm in the Moultonborough Library Back Room. 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 5:50 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,

Peter Jensen
Moultonborough Milfoil Committee, Chair