

Conservation Commission
Milfoil Committee

For Wed., Feb. 19, 2014 @ 9:30 AM @ PSB Training Room

Members Present: Karin Nelson, Beverly Nelson, Paul Ardito, Al Hoch, Scott Bartlett, Cathy Cunningham

Members Absent: Ginny Gassman, Paul Daisy

Others Present: None

The meeting convened and began at 9:30 at the PSB Training Room. It was moved by Paul Ardito and seconded by Al Hoch to seat Scott Bartlett in place of Paul Daisy and Cathy Cunningham seated in place of Ginny Gassman. Bev Nelson agreed to take minutes and Karin Nelson agreed to chair the meeting in the absence of the secretary and chairman.

Agenda

I. Approval of Minutes:

Minutes of Thursday, January 29, 2014 were not available. This is because of the sudden death of Peter Jensen and Secretary, Ginny Gassman, absence. It was moved by and seconded by the committee that these minutes be reviewed when made available by secretary Gassman upon her return from vacation.

II. New Business:

a. How to proceed upon sudden death of Chair Peter Jensen

- i. Paul Ardito moved and Al Hoch seconded motion to name Scott Bartlett to vacant seat on the Milfoil Committee. The motion passed.
- ii. Karin Nelson wanted the record to show the committee's thank you in the memory of Peter Jensen's work on the committee for many years. The committee will miss his leadership. The committee was in agreement.
- iii. Committee agreed to elect new chairman at next meeting.
- iv. Committee members will gather necessary data for new chairman. Scott Bartlett is working on committee timeline. Paul Ardito will explore process for securing/handling invoices/payments for our

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vendors this summer and so we can compare years. Paul will also secure a copy of 2013 Milfoil Committee Report Peter submitted for Annual Report. Bev Nelson will contact conservation committee. All of this information being gathered will help prepare committee for transition. Gathering this information will also be useful to committee in case they need to speak for the warrant at the Town Meeting.

b. Town Meeting and Warrant

- i. Scott Bartlett will coordinate gathering data from other committee members to speak to Warrant 15 if needed.
- ii. Scott, Cathy and Karin will attend town meeting.

III. Reports:

a. FIVE YEAR PLAN – Milfoil Treatment Paul Daisy reports via email

- i. Our application for matching funds has been returned by Carter and accepted by Amy as accurate and complete. She has submitted it for final approval and will let us know the amount when all is settled.
- ii. I am working to get an updated abutter list for ACT. They need this to give us our mailing information.
- iii. I've asked for a copy of the amended procedures being recommended by the PCB. They were expected to be completed by now, but we probably won't see anything until at least next month. I have conflicting information as to when changes will be effective; however, I've been told that we will have alternatives to certified mail. (Doesn't look like it will include our suggestion of posting a notice on affected properties.)
- iv. We will need a meeting with Amy and ACT, along with AI's input in the spring to decide on the best treatment approach for this year's herbicide treatment.

b. Lake Hosts:

- i. Paul Ardito reported NH Lakes grant process is now open. He will begin the paperwork this week.

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- ii. Cathy Cunningham reported she is working on securing volunteer lake hosts. It is hoped additional volunteers can be found. The first training for Lake Hosts will be held Sunday, May 18, 2014 at 2:15pm at the Moultonborough Public Library Community Room.

c. Weed Watchers

- i. Bev Nelson reported the annual weed watchers training lead by Amy Smagula of NHDes will be held at Moultonborough Public Library Community Room Sunday, May 18, 2014 at 1:00 pm. At 1:45 – 2:25 she will conduct Weed Identification for weed watchers and lake hosts. Last years weed watchers have been notified of the date.

d. Tri-Town DASH Initiative (MJB)

- i. Next meeting is Tuesday, February 24, 2014. (have not meet since our last meeting)
- ii. Scott Bartlett reported Moultonborough has no objection to sale of DASH boat.
- iii. IMA video should be completed next week. It was suggested Allison at town be ask about format needed to put on town web page.

e. Quality Control of Milfoil Harvest – (No report)

f. MILFOIL HARVEST (manager/schedule)

- i. Al Hoch reported he plans to begin milfoil harvest in early/mid May at areas with dense boat parking historically occurs. Then continue harvest after Memorial Day.

g. Invoices/Funds – No Report

IV. Other

a. FFIC (HB292)

The bill was passed and is scheduled to be discussed by House ways and means committee. Bev Nelson will keep committee updated as to when .bill is discussed by Ways and Means Committee

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b. Letters to Editor update

Letters are being published according to schedule.

- c. The next meeting** is scheduled for Thursday, April 3, 2014 at 9:00 am training room at the Public Safety Building.

v. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 10:55 AM.

(Note: Scott Bartlett left at 10:20 am. Cathy Cunningham left at 10:25am. A quorum was still present)

Respectfully Submitted,

Beverly Nelson
Moultonborough Milfoil Committee