MILFOIL & INVASIVE AQUATIC WEEDS COMMITTEE MINUTES OF MEETING January 20, 2010 6:30PM NEW DURHAM TOWN HALL

PRESENT: Art Hoover, Chairman, Susan Hoover, Aline Goss, Fred Quimby Absent: Cynthia Quimby, Don Holm, Lee Ann Beals, Tom Goss, Cindy McEntire, Alan McQuiston

(1). **Call to order:** Art Hoover convened the scheduled monthly meeting at 6:30PM at the Town Hall. **Minutes of November 18, 2009** meeting were accepted as read.

(2). **General:**

Art said that the State did not fund treatment of the milfoil in Merrymeeting River/Jones Pond for this year.

There was some discussion of the proposals by Lycott Environmental and Aquatic control Technology. Both companies' proposals for two treatments exceeded the amount that is presently available in reserve funding and projected to be available after the recommendation by the Selectmen at Town Meeting.

Art feels that we should wait until next year (2011) to treat because the general consensus is that one treatment without a follow up is not sufficient or effective.

(3). **Contacts:**

Art will notify Lycott Environmental and Aquatic Control Technology of the committee's decision and ask for their input and whether there is a possibility that the initial bid could be revised to provide two treatments for the proposed \$20,000 available in reserve funding.

Fred will contact Selectmen David Bickford and Terry Jarvis to remind them that we are basing our plans for milfoil treatment on the proposed \$10,000 to be added to the capital reserve fund.

Art will contact Ed Neister to ask him about the effectiveness of Reward (Diquat) in treating milfoil and to invite him to the next meeting.

Art will contact Amy Smagula and request information about our lack of funding again this year. He will also invite her to attend the next meeting.

Fred will contact someone from Fish & Game regarding any change in their policies concerning treating milfoil in rivers. He will invite them to send a representative to our next meeting.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:15pm

The next meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, February 17 at 6:30PM.