

**MILFOIL & INVASIVE AQUATIC WEEDS COMMITTEE**  
**MINUTES OF MEETING**  
**June 18, 2008**  
**6:30PM**  
**NEW DURHAM TOWN HALL**

PRESENT: Art Hoover, Chairman  
Susan Hoover  
Fred Quimby  
Cynthia Quimby  
Lee Ann Beals  
Alan McQuiston  
Tom Goss

Absent: Michelle Downes  
Michael Downes  
Wayne Glidden  
Dave Russell  
Don Holm

Guests: Aline Goss  
Brian Berube – Baysider

(1). Call to order: Art Hoover convened the scheduled monthly meeting at 6:30PM at the Town Hall.

**Minutes of June 18, 2008** meeting: Alan motioned to approve the minutes and Fred seconded the motion. A vote was taken and the motion carried unanimously.

(2). Inspection of water bodies: The following water bodies were inspected by members of the milfoil committee.

- Coldrain Pond- Art Hoover & Alan McQuiston: No apparent milfoil was present. There was thick unidentifiable plant life a couple of inches under the water surface all around the edges of the pond. Samples were taken to send to Amy Smagula at DES.

- Merrymeeting River – Art Hoover: Launch area by hatchery to bridge and then first bend in river – No apparent milfoil present. Samples of other plants were taken to send to DES. There was thick milfoil from the next bend to the Jones Pond Dam.
- Shaws Pond - Don Holm: Not present at meeting. Fred will contact for details and report at next meeting.
- March Pond – Michelle & Michael Downes: No apparent milfoil present.

- Chalk Pond – Tom & Aline Goss: No apparent milfoil present.
- Downing Pond – Fred Quimby & Wayne Glidden: Marked and set floats at sites of unidentifiable plants and samples were taken and sent to DES. There was a large amount of milfoil on the east shoreline and samples were taken and sent to DES.
- Club Pond – Dave Russell could not be contacted. Tom and Aline Goss will check the pond and report at the next meeting.

(3). Lee Ann reported about the open water dive which took place on Jones Pond on July 11<sup>th</sup>. Two divers were certified after the dive. Members of the milfoil committee were provided surface support training by Ted Aldrich. The next diver's class is scheduled for August 23<sup>rd</sup>.

(4). Carole Ingham presented new members with appointment papers for their signatures.

(5). Brian Berube reported that articles for publication must be sent to the Baysider by Monday at 3:00PM for the following Thursday's edition.

(6). General discussion: Art has not heard from Marc Bellaud re: approval of treatment in Jones Dam Pond. Art will email all members when the treatment is approved.

Art showed members the map of wells within 50 feet of the river.

Art discussed signage and barriers at official and unofficial boat launch sites.

Art will attend the next selectmen's meeting to update them on the treatment and application process.

Art will contact Dave McKenney and Ricky Rines regarding diver's class.

Fred suggested using underwater cameras to identify milfoil. Art will contact Ed Neister.

Fred will invite Amy Smagula to the next meeting.

(7). Next meeting: The committee will start the procedure to apply for a grant for milfoil treatment in 2009. The application is due in September.

Wells within 50 feet of the water need to be identified on Downing Pond.

(8). The committee recommends Aline Goss to the Selectmen as a potential new member.

(9). The meeting was adjourned at 7:15pm. The next meeting will be held at the Town Hall on Wednesday, August, 2008 at 6:30pm.

