

MOULTONBOROUGH, TUFTONBORO, WOLFEBORO
**Joint Board Meeting for the
IMA on Aquatic Nuisance Plant Control**

**June 23, 2015
Meeting Minutes**

Present: Bill Marcussen (Tuftonboro), Steve Wingate (Tuftonboro-Alternate), Dan Duffy (Tuftonboro), Ken Marschner (Wolfeboro), Linda Murray (Wolfeboro), David Owen (Wolfeboro-Alternate), Scott Bartlett (Moultonborough), Karin Nelson (Moultonborough-Alternate), and Jeanne Beadle (Moultonborough).

Absent: Kathy Barnard (Wolfeboro-Alternate).

Call to Order: Chairman Bill Marcussen convened the meeting at 9:00 AM at the Tuftonboro Town Offices meeting room.

Minutes: The minutes of the meeting of May 12, 2015 were reviewed, and one error was pointed out by Linda Murray. Specifically, on page 2 under Town Updates she was credited with making a statement that “Wolfeboro has a mystery...” but she was not at the May 12th meeting so she could not have possibly made that statement. It was decided that it must have been Kathy Barnard that made that statement. It was moved by Scott Bartlett and seconded by Dan Duffy to approve the minutes of the May 12, 2015 meeting as corrected to reflect Kathy Barnard making the statement “Wolfeboro has a mystery...”, which motion was approved unanimously and the minutes of May 12, 2015 meeting were approved.

Financial Report: Dave Owen provided a Report of Revenues & Expenses dated June 22, 2015. It reflects total revenues to date of \$45,494.81, expenses of \$122.53, and Net Available for Expenditure of \$45,372.28. He noted that the report reflects that all three member communities have now paid their dues contributions of \$600 each for the year. It was also noted that some additional expenses will be forthcoming soon, such as the invoice for the air monitoring report from the Scot Lawson Group which work was completed last month, and for the de-winterizing the DASH boat by Lanes End Marina.

Old Business: 1. DASH Unit Update

Bill Marcussen reported that Lanes End Marina has completed all work on our DASH boat with the exception of beefing up the sockets for the poles. Everything else is all set to go.

2. DASH Unit Annual Air Testing

Bill Marcussen reported that the Scott Lawson Group completed the annual air monitoring test on May 20th, and that the resulting report from the Scott Lawson Group dated May 21, 2015 showing no issues with air quality was sent out to everyone. He provided additional copies for members' information.

3. Diver Harvesting OSHA Compliance

Scott Bartlett provided copies of a letter from the Town of Moultonborough sent to the U.S. Department of Labor relative to OSHA diving regulations requiring 3-man diving crews and expensive communications equipment, even for shallow water milfoil harvesting diving operations and requesting regulatory relief from such requirements. Mr. Bartlett suggested that the other members towns send similar letters to OSHA relative to the requirements for 3-man diving crews and expensive communications equipment. Linda Murray stated that Wolfeboro would not be able to comment on the requirement for 3-man diving teams, as Wolfeboro's milfoil contractor already uses a 3-man diving crew, but might be able to comment on the requirement for expensive communications equipment. Ken Marschner suggested that it might be more effective to try to diving organizations lobby on behalf such changes, and perhaps Tom Wachmuth of Dive Winnepesaukee could assist in this effort.

4. Town Updates

Moultonborough reported that they current have a chemical herbicide application underway, and that they currently have three DASH crews out harvesting milfoil. They have collected about 3,000 gallons of material so far, which is being used as fill and as mulch.

Wolfeboro reported that it is having the most relaxed year ever in terms of milfoil issues. They couldn't find any milfoil in Back Bay when they inspected it on May 27th, and still have not seen any milfoil in Back Bay to date. Consequently, they have put off having their contractor do any milfoil harvesting work until at least July 27th.

Tuftonboro reported that they have seen some weeds in the usual locations, but Amy Smagula hasn't come out to do her survey work yet, so they have pushed their contract milfoil harvesting work off until later in the summer.

5. IMA Expiration or Extension

Dave Owen discussed the proposed Agreement for the Withdrawal of the Town of Moultonborough from the Intermunicipal Agreement for the Provision of Aquatic Nuisance Plant Control Between the Towns of Tuftonboro, Moultonborough, & Wolfeboro that he developed with the assistance of Wolfeboro's Town Counsel. He explained that the intent of this agreement is to allow Moultonborough to withdraw from the Intermunicipal Agreement (IMA) before it expires on September 30th so that the remaining two towns have time to act to renew the IMA before it expires. As drafted, the Withdrawal Agreement seeks to make the Town of Moultonboro financially whole by providing it an amount equal to one-third of the market value of the remaining DASH Unit No. 2 and one-third of the balance of the funds in the special revenue account maintained by the Town of Wolfeboro for the Milfoil Joint Board. It was agreed by all that the effective date of the Withdrawal Agreement should be August 1,

2015, which means that the governing bodies of all three towns will need to act on it prior to then. It was also agreed and stipulated that the market value of DASH 2 is \$12,000. It was noted that there are some invoices that haven't been received yet, like the one from the Lawson Group for air quality testing and the one from Lanes End Marina, which, when paid, will affect the balance of the funds available in the Special Revenue Account to be paid out to Moultonborough on August 1.

6. Lake-wide Milfoil Working Group

Steve Wingate reported that there is a meeting of the Lake Winnepesaukee Watershed Association on August 6th for towns around the lake to discuss and compare their milfoil efforts, and there will possibly be another meeting in the fall after milfoil efforts have concluded for the year.

New Business:

1. Draft Agreement for withdrawal of Moultonborough from the IMA
This was covered above under Old Business.

Other Business: None

Next Meeting It was decided that the next meeting of the Milfoil Joint Board will be on Thursday, July 23, 2015 at 9:00 AM at the Tuftonboro Town Offices.

Adjournment Scott Bartlett moved to adjourn the meeting. It was seconded by Linda Murray and unanimously approved. The meeting adjourned at 9:55 AM.

Respectfully submitted,

David Owen,
Secretary

