## MOULTONBOROUGH, TUFTONBORO, WOLFEBORO Joint Board Meeting for the NH LAKES IMA Joint Board on Aquatic Nuisance Plant Control March 16, 2011 Meeting Minutes

**Present**: Ken Marschner (Wolfeboro), Bill Marcussen (Tuftonboro), Carter Terenzini (Moultonborough), Karin Nelson (Moultonborough), David Owen (Wolfeboro-Alternate), Dan Williams (Tuftonboro-Alternate),) and Daniel Duffy (Tuftonboro)

**Absent:** Linda Murray (Wolfeboro), Bob Boyan (Moultonborough-Alternate (both w/prior notification)

**Others Present:** N/A

Call to Order and Minutes: Ken Marschner called the meeting to order at 9:07 a.m.

Dave Owen was seated as a member to act in the absence of Linda Murray.

**Minutes:** The Chair asked for a motion on the minutes of February 16, 2011. It was noted that the reference to "...\$442..." in the Financial report should read "...\$452...". It was also noted that the reference to "...Melvin Village..." in the section entitled Marina Costs (lines 6 and 11) should read "...Lanes End...". With those corrections Karin Nelson moved, with a second by David Owen, to approve the minutes as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

**Financial Report:** Wolfeboro and Moultonborough have paid their annual dues. \$9,167.70 remains unencumbered and available for expenditure.

**DASH Progress Report:** The second payment to NEEDs has just been released. Ken and Bill are journeying to them today to view the progress. There was some concern over whether or not, at the current pace, they would meet the May 1 delivery date. It was believed that this visit should help move the contractor along.

**Sale of Furniture:** Ken noted we have an offer of \$275 for the DASH #1 furniture. This was within his discretionary 20% guideline and was accepted. We have an offer on DASH #2, after much negotiation and discussion, of \$500. Dan W. noted how it compares to our original asking price of \$2,000 (which was set higher than his estimate) and our current asking price of \$1,500. In view of the effort to date, the unlikelihood of receiving offers higher than this \$500, and the desire to dispose of the items without incurring an actual cost to us (i.e. dump fees) Bill moved and Dan D. seconded to accept the offer. The motion passed with unanimous approval.

**NH LAKES Progress on Diver Procurement:** A number of proposals (including firms) have been received and are being evaluated. A first cut eliminated some who simply don't fit based on price or qualifications. A number of applicants are "solo" players and would need to be associated with a team. The balance is being evaluated in more depth and several will be interviewed on 03/22.

Dan D. has been contacted by someone in Alton who had indicated some interest in our effort. Bill's recollection was we had decided to not deal with more entities out of a concern over getting stretched too thin. Carter expressed a belief we should at least talk with them fearing that they would walk away saying we were not interested if we put them off too much. The consensus was to await contact.

**Marina Contract:** Bill presented the final contract proposal from Lanes End. Dan D. moved and Carter seconded to authorize the Chair to sign the Agreement(s). The motion passed with unanimous approval. Ken will mail a thank you letter to Complete Marine Care for their proposal expressing our hope they will continue to have an interest in the possibility of doing business with us in the future.

**DES Waiver request:** Ken distributed his formal letter to DES requesting a waiver to create a second tier of divers who need to be certified on milfoil removal but can use non SCUBA (i.e. surface supplied) air.

Joint Board Contract for Freelance Divers: Peter Jensen of Moultonborough had inquired if we would provide a contract rate for a separate hand-pulling contract. He has now been advised that we will not be doing so this year in the interest in getting our program up and running. However, we do have the list of those solo "freelancers" from NH LAKES (as noted above) and Moultonborough can connect with them directly.

**Potential DASH use:** The Lake Wentworth association is discussing their possible need for the equipment and will advise us in the near future. We need to set a formal "equipment only" rate and Bill recalled that prior discussions had been on the order of \$300 per day.

**Development of Accounting Procedures on DASH Fees:** Ken said there was a need to agree on how NH LAKES would account for the fees collected and turn over the funds due to the IMA. There was a concern over how the "contingency might be handled as a week by week turnover could short NH Lakes if there were unanticipated repairs needed in one week that were above the "contingency" allowed for that one week (or similar turnover period). Some advocated for an end of season turnover to account for this and to give NH Lakes some operating capital. Bill noted NH Lakes seemed hesitant to wait so long. As to their administrative fee the consensus was that the NH Lakes administrative fee of \$45 would be per unit per day.

**Use of Barge:** Peter Jensen had inquired about a barge for piling up the milfoil and sent along one proposal from a local firm. Dan D. and Dan W. each are willing to donate/lend a "John Boat" for this effort. It was also noted that Jimmy Bean from Tuftonboro is interested and has three barges for possible lease (Mountain Scale Landscaping). There was a discussion of the responsibility for the tender boats; would this be town by town or by the IMA? The consensus was it was the responsibility of the IMA.

**Miscellaneous:** Ken has been asked to serve on the "Lean" Committee for the Fish and Game, DES, etc. to streamline permit processing. Bill M. spoke regarding tax deductibility of contributions.

**Next meeting:** April 13th at 9:00 a.m. in Tuftonboro

Motion by Dave with a second by Karin to adjourned at 10:58 a.m. The motion passed with unanimous approval.

Respectfully Submitted

Carter Terenzini, Člerk

On This Date of March 17, 2011