

DRAFT MEETING MINUTES
Moultonborough Conservation Commission
Milfoil Committee

18DEC2025@ 8:30AM

Attendees: Mike Couture, Amy Lindamood, Tracy Waterman, Karin Nelson

Others present: None

Meeting called to order at 0834

- Review minutes from last meeting – Moved to accept by Tracy, second Mike. Minutes approved as read
- Finance update – Karin reported that per her tracking spreadsheet, the current fund balance is \$113,914. Karin met with the Capital Improvement Planning Committee (CIPC) and learned that in review of town funds and record keeping, the Milfoil Committee may have significantly more funds than thought. Karin was informed of an accounting “find” of \$47,000 and was told that records indicate a fund balance in excess of \$200,000. As a result, the CIPC recommends that the Milfoil Committee reduce its funding request from the town for its 2026 budget to \$50,000 vs the original request of \$75,000. Karin also reported that we received a letter from NHDES confirming that the State will reimburse the Town of Moultonborough for 50% of treatment costs incurred in 2026. This is the same level of reimbursement as in prior years.
- Bids for 2026 – Bids were received for herbicide treatment, DASH, and hand-pull diving – one for each service.

For herbicide treatment, the committee received a bid from Solitude – the same vendor as in prior years. The estimate total is \$52,240, which is \$1,820 more than 2025. The estimate includes treatment of up to 50 acres, however recent years have required much less area, resulting in actual costs being much less than the maximum total. Total recommended treatment area will not be determined until the annual survey is completed – usually in early June. Motion was made by Amy to approve the Solitude bid, seconded by Mike. Motion was approved.

A bid for DASH work was received from TSE Dive totaling \$1,795/day + incidentals for a total cost of \$19,60/dive day – slightly less than 2025. Motion was made by Amy to accept the bid from TSE Dive, second by Tracy. Motion was approved

A bid was received for hand-pull diving from the same vendor as 2025 with a rate of \$960/day + incidental time for cleaning/decontamination. This is the same rate as 2025. Motion was made by Amy, seconded by Tracy to approve the bid for hand-pulling. Motion was approved.

- Inputs for Town Report – Karin presented a draft of a committee report that was assembled from inputs from other committee members. This draft was reviewed by all committee members. Motion was made by Amy to approve the report, as drafted, second by Mike. Motion was approved
- Other business - None

- Next meeting date – 21MAY2026 @ 9:30AM. Mike to confirm meeting room availability and that the committee will have a quorum present
- Motion to adjourn motion by Tracy, second by Mike @ 0910

Posted by Mike Couture, Secretary, MMC