Moultonborough Conservation Commission  
Milfoil Committee  

Thursday, Aug. 22, 2019 @ 8:30 a.m. @ at the Town Hall

Attendees: Mike Couture, Tracy Waterman, Amy Lindamood, Peter Lemmond, Karin Nelson  
Members not present: Bev Nelson, Scott Bartlett  
Others present: Jane Nash, Deb Deacetis, Bob Patterson, Walter Johnson

Meeting opened at 8:35 a.m.

• Review minutes from prior meeting - Moved to approve by Amy, second by Tracy to approve as written

• Review of budget and finances - herbicide treatment cost lower than expected. DASH costs currently lower than budgeted but anticipated to ramp up. As of Aug. 19, 2019, expenditures are $75,960 and remaining fund balance is $199,204.65.

• DASH update – approx. 50 dive days completed so far - lower than past years. Starting two crews in September to catch up. Anticipate under 130 dive days for the season. Need to revisit known areas of growth, but generally finding fewer areas this year.

• Herbicide update - Ash Cove was agreed to be added by NHDES and was treated.
  • Removal of postings - OK to remove postings.
  • Any observed results yet? - Good results have been observed. Milfoil in all treated areas appears to be dead.
  • Review of notification list and any needed changes - Solitude needs to update notification list to reduce abutters, since new herbicide stays in the water column for less time. Amy to follow up with Solitude.

• Weed Watchers update - Bev sent update. One new Weed Watcher was trained. Lake Kanasatka residents have requested more training, but limited staff may delay until next year. Jane to compile list of interested parties.

• Lake Hosts update - Tracy to follow up regarding any funds owed to NH Lakes. NH Lakes to be sending wash stations on a trial basis starting with Lee's Mills. Permission granted to allow the wash stations, provided the week of the Steamship Event is avoided. Lake Host to extend season to staff this trial, which may require some additional funds.
• Status of tri-town cooperation - Possible coordination of DASH contracting with Tuftonboro and Wolfeboro was discussed. The other two towns add possibly 10 dive days overall. New contract negotiation with AB Aquatics needs to happen this winter. Motion to hold on coordination of contracting DASH with other towns by Amy, second by Mike.

• Pat Tarpey proposed Americorp help to Karin - Motion to hold on large-scale involvement to perform DASH duties by Amy, second by Tracy. Motion approved. Encourage them to work with Tuftonboro and Wolfeboro, since level of effort is much smaller.

• Discussion of how to bid new DASH contract - one year vs multi-year term. Committee will likely request AB Aquatics to provide 1, 2, and 3 year bids.

• New or postponed business - None

• Next meeting date Sept. 24, 2019 @ 1:00 p.m.

Meeting adjourned at 9:55 a.m.

Submitted by,
Mike Couture
Secretary, Moultonborough Milfoil Committee