

Freedom Aquatic Invasive Species Committee
May 14, 2015

Members Present: Ned Kucera, Bruce Howlett, Jim McElroy, Bill Elliott

Members Absent: Gerard Costantino

Others Present: Dianne Park, Susan Marks

Quorum: A quorum was met with 4 members present.

Minutes recorded by Dianne Park

Meeting called to order at 7:00pm.

Minutes

There was a motion by Bill, seconded by Ned, to approve the minutes from April 9, 2015 as amended. All were in favor.

Pages 1, under "Lake Host Program" second sentence, change the second reference to "Ned" to "Jim"

Follow Up to Last Year's Milfoil Mailing

Suggestions made:

- Allowing space for sponsors names
- Poster size brochures to be placed at lakes, boat launches and places where people congregate
- Cards were dropped off at Ski Works
- Hand out cards out at the parade
- Set up a table at Ducky Day and the parade with sample buckets of milfoil

Update Status of NHDES Grants for 2015 Milfoil Control

A schedule is being set up including back up dates. There was a motion by Ned, seconded by Bruce, to move ahead with all milfoil treatments. All were in favor.

Lake Host Program

A grant has been awarded to Freedom in the amount of \$1,550.00. This has been sent to the Board of Selectmen for approval.

Nancy Johnson approached the board asking to be this year's lake host hire. Nancy is a paid lobbyist for the State of New Hampshire and has been a lake host person in the past so she is very qualified. Gerard Costantino has pledged \$4,000.00 to fund additional hours of ramp time. The board gave a BIG THANK-YOU to Gerard for his very generous offer and discussed the best way to spend this additional money. There was a motion by Bill, seconded by Bruce, to hire Nancy Johnson as a lake host. All were in favor. The board decided to create a calendar wish list of times for boat inspections. Nancy will have first pick of all dates. Bruce will get this year's fishing tournament schedule to Jim. There was a question on whether board members need to be retrained and can board members volunteer hours outside of scheduled application dates. Jim will find out the answer to these questions.

Check future meeting minutes for any amendments or changes to these minutes.

Weed Watcher Training

Amy Smagula, from NHDES, will conduct Weed Watcher Training on May 30, 2015 at Danforth Bay Camping Resort at 1:00pm in the Lakeside Room. Board members will arrive early for set-up and will also put together an agenda for the day. This has been advertised by Green Mountain Conservation Group and the Ossipee Lake Alliance.

There was a motion by Bill, seconded by Ned, to adjourn the meeting.
Meeting adjourned at 7:50pm.