

Freedom Aquatic Invasive Species Committee  
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A meeting of the Freedom Aquatic Invasive Species Committee will be held on Thursday, November 12, 2020 at 7:00 p.m.

Due to the COVID-19/Coronavirus crisis and in accordance with Governor Sununu's Emergency Order #12 pursuant to Executive Order 2020-04 and following the declaration of an emergency by the Chair of the FAISC, this Board is authorized to meet electronically.

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Call to Order and Quorum Check - The meeting was called to order at 7:02 pm by Ned Kucera. Present are: Ned Kucera, Bruce Howlett, Bill Elliott, Gerard Costatino, Melissa Donaldson-Recording Secretary. A quorum is present. Jim McElroy is absent

Minutes of October 8, 2020 FAISC Meeting – Bill made a motion to approve, Bruce seconded. APPROVED unanimously

Review and approve invoices for FAISC Accounts - Solitude sent another invoice, which was for Post-Treatment Survey, in the amount of \$1050.00 . Bruce made a motion to approve, Gerard seconded. APPROVED unanimously

We had another potential dive, but it was not completed. Bob Patterson - Dash Diving, is going out of business.

Bruce asked about Cliff - who did not give a price. We went with AB as it was the only quote we received. We can send an email to others. Aqualogic, Cliff Cabral, and AE Services are possibilities. Ned has heard back from Aqualogic and received something from AE. He has not received anything from Cliff. Ned will send a note to Cliff. October 12 an airboat was out, Ned will check for a report from that visit.

Accounts - with Town - we received a report about what had been spent. Town leftover - \$7524.90 less \$1050 invoice. There is some money left over. \$5294.98 remains in the milfoil account. \$6245.23 noncapital funds remain also. State pay is 40% of that leftover, approximately \$600. Last year's budget was for 49 acres. Ned will review the numbers with Ellen.

2021 Budget - Danforth Pond, herbicide and dash maps were printed. Bids were received for herbicides, up to 30 acres with the same herbicide we used this year. We asked for June treatment. Bids are due by November 25. They seem to be both for the Danforths, and the divers have a little for the Marina and Huckins Cove. Ned has not received feedback on the timeline for how long the treatment is effective for. Bruce received feedback from one of the workers that indicated test sites were good for 2-3 years. Diving, herbicide, or some combination of the two are possibilities. Waiting until the spring will help with actual locations, but we need to budget for the herbicide in case we need it. Ned will contact Peter, the Solitude Rep, for his input. The budget meeting is December 14. Our next meeting is December 10.

2021 Meeting Dates - Next year's meeting in November falls on Veterans Day. The committee has no issue with that. If there is an issue with the Town, we will consider moving it to a Wednesday. No January or February meetings will be held.

2020 Milfoil update - done above

2021 Meeting Schedule - done above

Lake hosting - no final report has been received. Those numbers are helpful with budgeting. There was money left over, so that will help with the budget. Estimate is \$2500 for next year. Ossipee requested that we fill out forms as a nonprofit instead of a warrant article. NH Lakes did not want to be listed as the nonprofit of record. The Town Manager mentioned that it was listed as a line item on the Conservation Commission last year. The Conservation Commission has agreed to add it to their budget. For Freedom it as a separate article as well.

Bill asked if Ned and Amy were both happy with what happened with the milfoil this year. He indicated that they were happy. The Town has received good reports as well.

NEW BUSINESS - A couple of donations were received. North Broad Bay Association sent \$65. The Berry Bay Association sent \$200. A motion to accept these funds to the gift account was made by Gerard, seconded by Bruce. APPROVED unanimously.

Bruce asked about the bridge progress. Is there any update? There is some sort of a soft spot. The road is closed until at least New Year's. The contractor is doing a diligent job.

Dave Smith asked for Bruce's document, which Ned sent to him.

OTHER BUSINESS

PUBLIC COMMENT

\* Miscellaneous Correspondences

\* Business properly presented to the board

Bill made a motion to adjourn at 7:48 pm, Gerard seconded. The meeting was adjourned

Respectfully submitted,

Melissa Donaldson

Recording Secretary