

FREEDOM AQUATIC INVASIVE
SPECIES COMMITTEE
P.O. Box 227
Freedom, NH 03836
Thursday, March 10, 2022
7:00 p.m.

Call to Order and Quorum Check – The meeting was called to order at 7:04 pm by Ned Kucera. Present are: Ned Kucera, Bruce Howlett, Gerard Costantino, Michel Cloutier

Minutes December 9, 2021 FAISC Meeting –Bruce made a motion to approve, Gerard seconded. APPROVED

Review and approve invoices for FAISC Accounts –

Contracts came through over the winter – NHDES Grant for DASH – 50%. There was a form to accept the grant that the town signed. Another form was sent. This has been taken care of. A motion to accept was made by Gerard, seconded by Bruce. APPROVED

Solitude - Herbicide for 20 acres – needed task 1 permitting paid for, should have been sent by Town Hall. A motion to approve based on Town Meeting approval, and pay for Task 1 was made by Gerard, seconded by Bruce. APPROVED

Aqualogic contract – needed a deposit, should have been sent by the Town Hall. A motion to approve based on Town Meeting approval was made by Bruce, seconded by Gerard. APPROVED A motion to pay down payment was made by Bruce, seconded by Gerard. APPROVED

NEW BUSINESS

- a. Lake Host Update – Lake host stuff is starting now. Michel is willing to participate. Freedom and Ossipee pay \$2500 each, combined with a grant from NH Lakes. Approximately \$6000 left over from previous years will apply also. Ossipee approved the amount last night. Ned and Michel will meet to complete the NH Lakes application. Hours/hourly pay will have to be figured out. NH Lakes website has training/education videos.
- b. Milfoil update and report – 10 days of diving and 20 acres of treatment were budgeted for. The State grant is paying for 50%.
- c. 2022 Budget Progress – Payouts for milfoil last year was received. Money will go back to the town, in the amount of approximately \$6000 Herbicide treatment was lower than expected last year. There is a gift account that contains \$9324.98. FBO

account for Milfoil removal - \$6422.04. The sign at the dump was repaired/new signage was purchased. It has not been put back up yet, but will be before boating season starts. A permanent sign is an option.

- d. New Member – we are down one member. Ned spoke to Roberta, but did not receive a response. Brian Barrett (Round Pond) may be an option.

OTHER BUSINESS

- a. Officers and Board Members – Gerard expires 2022. In 2023 Ned and Michel expire. In 2024 Bruce’s term expires. Gerard agreed to serve another term. Bruce nominated Gerard to the FAISC Board, Michel seconded. APPROVED

PUBLIC COMMENT

- * Miscellaneous Correspondences
- * Business properly presented to the board

Bruce will not be at the July meeting.

Old Home Week is mentioned. A Danforth group is trying to form. Septic systems are a concern. Should there be an informative table set up at Old Home Week for cyanobacteria, milfoil etc? Perhaps Green Mountain Conservation could do this. Ned has some older brochures.

Loon Lake testing results have not come back yet. The Conservation Commission is looking at doing a survey for runoff.

Michel made a motion to adjourn at 8:05 pm, Bruce seconded. The meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Melissa Donaldson

Recording Secretary