

FREEDOM AQUATIC INVASIVE
SPECIES COMMITTEE
P.O. Box 227
Freedom, NH 03836
Thursday, March 14, 2024
at 7:00 p.m.

Minutes

Call to Order and Quorum Check – The meeting was called to order at 7:01 pm by Ned Kucera. Present are: Ned Kucera, Bruce Howlett, Michel Cloutier, Megan Broderick. Gerard Costantino is absent.

Paul Elie is also present.

Gerard is resigning from the committee after a new member is recruited.

Minutes December 14, 2023 FAISC Meeting – 3 potential bidders for the DASH diving.(by Solitude line). Ned made a motion to approve as amended, Bruce seconded. APPROVED

Review and approve invoices for FAISC Accounts.- no new invoices. There were some that were paid while we were on break from meetings. Solitude has a first phase that they bill out, that has been paid. DASH bid – require a downpayment of \$1650 – that has been paid when the contract was signed.

NEW BUSINESS

Lake Host Update – Michel – annual fee of \$300 was paid. We did not collect funds from Ossipee or Freedom because we had funds left over. We received a document from Concord letting us know how much funding we are being given this year (\$2000+/-). There are two potential candidates this year, Ned's son Wilson, and Tava Nicoll. They will be paid \$20 per hour. We are still seeking more candidates. Michel will send a note to Adara.

Milfoil Update – Ned met with Megan and gave her an update. Milfoil treatments consist of herbicides, which goes out to bid. Solitude is the only company that serves this area. Procelicor has been working well. Their contract was distributed to the members. They are paid by tasks. First task has already been paid. All charges for herbicide and DASH are partially reimbursed by the State. 50% reimbursement is what is being given this year. This year is at 25 acres of potential herbicide treatment.

DASH Divers – Aqualogic – this is the only recommended company that serves this area. \$1650 was the downpayment, and it has been paid. Milfoil was found in two locations in the Ossipee River in the town of Freedom. The State grants permit has been completed.

New Board Members – word of mouth, find people. Bruce and Ned are not continuing as members.

2024 Budget – Saturday is town meeting.

OTHER BUSINESS

PUBLIC COMMENT

Miscellaneous Correspondences

Business properly presented to the board

Other invasive species – spiny wort was found in Winnipiesaukee. Pine River Pond has swollen bladderwort.

Megan made a motion to adjourn at 8:26 pm, Bruce seconded. The meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,
Melissa Donaldson
Recording Secretary