

Tuftonboro Milfoil Control Committee
June 12, 2018 – 9 a.m.
Tuftonboro Town Offices
240 Middle Road, P.O. Box 98
Center Tuftonboro, NH 03816

MINUTES OF MEETING

Present: Russ Baerenklau, Dan Duffy, George Gettman, Larry Gil, Ellen Watts, Steve Wingate, and Chairman/Selectmen's Rep Bill Marcussen.

I. CALL TO ORDER: Chairman Marcussen called the meeting to order at 9 a.m and welcomed George Gettman as a prospective committee member.

II. REVIEW OF MINUTES: Steve Wingate made a motion to approve 5-15-18 meeting minutes as presented. Ellen Watts seconded. All voted in favor.

III. OLD BUSINESS:

A. Education:

Russ has recently checked and resupplied all locations except the Transfer Station with brochures and 200 brochures are being printed this morning. He has reinforced outside dispenser mounts with backing boards. The T S dispenser has disappeared but he has a used dispenser that will be placed at that location. Ellen will continue to monitor the dispensers at Idlewild and on Ragged Island have brochures.

B. Trust Fund Status:

\$6256.12 in the fund as of 12/31/17.

C. DASH Boat:

Air testing is complete and the boat is in the water at Sawmill Marina in Wolfeboro awaiting use by the diver harvesting contractor.

D. 2018 control program:

The herbicide application permit was issued on May 30th and treatment at Melvin Village Marina and in the Basin is targeted for mid-June. Diver harvesting in the other areas and as a follow-up to the treatment should be conducted later in the season. The Milfoil Joint Board met with Amy Smagula on June 5th to review deficiencies with the current harvesting contractor and explore options for improving program options. She will be pursuing a couple of alternatives and has also reached out to AB Aquatics to facilitate their availability this year for a small number of days of harvesting.

E. Spring milfoil survey:

Amy reissued the survey from last fall for guidance of the spring treatment. The herbicide contractor will track application and report it to DES and the Agriculture Department.

F. Lake Host:

Mary Ann Murray is still looking for volunteers to commit to one hour per week of coverage on weekdays throughout the season. These volunteer hours will extend the town match for grant funding allocated to Tuftonboro. Please contact Mary Ann directly; she will coordinate training and launch ramp coverage.

V. NEW BUSINESS:

A new smartphone app called “Solocator” will tag photos with their geographic location. Amy Smagula has recommended this as an improved way to send her pictures of water weeds.

VI. OTHER:

- Watershed management plan kick-off is scheduled for 6PM on June 20th at the Town House.
- Islanders Association Annual Meeting is scheduled for Saturday, July 14th
- Lake Winnepesaukee Association Annual meeting is scheduled for July 21st

VII. PUBLIC:

None

VIII. NEXT MEETING:

August 28, 2018 at 9 am.

VIII. ADJOURNMENT: Moved by Ellen Watts, seconded by Russ Baerenklau 9:31 am.

Respectfully submitted,

Bill Marcussen