

**TUFTONBORO and WOLFEBORO
Joint Board Meeting for the
IMA on Aquatic Nuisance Plant Control
November 9, 2017
Meeting Minutes**

Present: Ken Marschner (Wolfeboro), David Owen (Wolfeboro-Alternate), Linda Murray (Wolfeboro), and Steve Wingate (Tuftonboro-Alternate).

Call to Order: Chairman Ken Marschner convened the meeting at 9:10 AM at the Wolfeboro Town Annex conference meeting room.

Minutes: The minutes of the August 10, 2017 meeting were reviewed. **It was then moved by Steve Wingate, with Linda Murray seconding, to approve the minutes of the August 10, 2017 meeting as written. The motion was then approved unanimously.**

Financial Report: Dave Owen provided copies of a Report of Revenues and Expenses as of November 1, 2017, which reflected net funds available for expenditure of \$24,841.38. There were no questions or concerns about the financial report and it was accepted by consensus.

Old Business: 1. DASH Unit Update

a. Repair of air compressor belt

Ken Marschner reported that the air compressor belt was replaced in August at the Melvin Village Marina, but this repair was more difficult to make than anticipated, and it cost more to repair than the \$200 that the Board had previously authorized for this repair. **It was then moved by Linda Murray, and seconded by Steve Wingate, to approve the expenditure of an additional \$82.75 for the replacement of the compressor belt, which will cover the full cost of making this repair. The motion was approved unanimously.**

New Business: 1. Aqualogic's return of DASH back to Lanes End

- a. Ken Marschner reported that he found a variety of issues when the DASH was returned to the Lanes End Marina from Melvin Village Marina. He said that 5 totes contained milfoil/sediment and one tote (of the 31 that were on board on 9-23-17) is missing entirely. Linda Murray stated that Aqualogic did a poor job all around this year. Ken Marschner agreed, and stated that their contract was through the State, and he suggested the possibility of sending a letter about Aqualogic's care of the DASH to John Jude. In discussing the other two contractors that are available through the State, Cliff doesn't want to work here any more, as he wants to use his own equipment, and the other contractor, A.B. Aquatics wants to apply a surcharge to us for using our boat. Ken went on to report that one air

respirator mask is also missing, as well as one pole clamp, and a compass. Also, the boot cover is still missing, and the three 5-gallon gas containers were not filled. He noted that the pump engine oil has been replaced and the DASH will be stored for winter by mid-November. Steve Wingate asked whether all of these issues justify our continuing to own the DASH. Linda Murray stated her concern about prices for milfoil harvesting going back up without the DASH.

- b. Ken Marschner asked if we should continue to provide air respirator masks for the divers. He raised the issues of sanitation and the expense of getting them cleaned and certified each year. Kathy Barnard of the Wolfeboro Milfoil Committee joined the meeting at 9:33 AM, and confirmed that one of our respirators was lost in the mud somewhere. She stated that the Wolfeboro Milfoil Committee has requested bids for milfoil harvesting next year, but has not heard from any of the contractors yet. Steve Wingate mentioned that the Lake Winnepesaukee Association is getting a couple of AmeriCorps volunteers and that they could possibly be trained and certified as divers. Ken reported that there are other items that need to be replaced or fixed, as follows: the right tail light on the boat trailer, a night light bulb on the canopy, carpeted bumper on the boat trailer by the winch, ne tray brushes to gather milfoil. And a new milfoil fragments net.
- c. Ken Marschner also reported that the suction hoses need to be replaced if we are going to continue using the DASH. He stated that 50' lengths of suction hose with quick-release fittings cost about \$500-\$530 each, including freight, in 2012 prices, so it would probably cost about \$1,000 to replace the two hoses in 2018. At this point Steve Wingate suggested possibly mothballing the DASH for a year. It was generally felt that discussion of this possibility be held to the next meeting, by which time Wolfeboro will know if it has received any bids for milfoil harvesting for next year.. In the meantime, it was suggested that Ken should talk to Cliff to see if there is any possibility of his returning to Lake Winnepesaukee next year.

Other Business: Ken Marschner announced his intent to leave the Milfoil Joint Board next spring.

Next Meeting: The next meeting was set for 9:30 AM on January 11, 2018 at the Wolfeboro Town Hall.

Adjournment: The meeting adjourned at 10:05 AM.

Respectfully submitted,

David Owen,
Secretary

