

MILFOIL & INVASIVE AQUATIC WEEDS COMMITTEE
MINUTES OF MEETING
MAY 26, 2010
6:30PM
NEW DURHAM TOWN HALL

PRESENT: Art Hoover, Chairman, Susan Hoover, Aline Goss, Alan McQuiston, Don Holm, Lee Ann Beals

Absent: Cynthia Quimby, Cindy McEntire, Fred Quimby, Fawn Choate

Guest: Tom Rogenski

(1). **Call to order:** Art Hoover convened the scheduled monthly meeting at 6:30PM at the Town Hall.

(2). **Milfoil Treatment 2010**

Art reported that Aquatic Control Technology, Inc prepared a revised Milfoil Treatment Plan for 2010, not to exceed the \$20,000 available from the reserve fund. The plan was accepted by the committee in March. The proposal is as follows:

Initial Treatment – July 2010 (around July 21)

*Task 1 - Prepare & file Special Permit applications, which includes notification to abutters.....	\$1,280
*Task 2 - Perform chemical treatment 2,4-D for 26.7 acres.....	\$10,645
*Task 3 – Pre and post treatment surveys and submittal of Required written report to State.....	\$700
*Task 4 – Herbicide residue sample collection & analysis.....	<u>\$875</u>
Subtotal Initial Treatment	\$13,500

Follow-Up Treatment – September 2010 (around September 9)

*Task 5 – Re-notification to abutters.....	\$580
*Task 6 – Perform chemical treatment 2,4-D for up to 13 acres.....	\$5,045
*Task 7 – Pre and post treatment surveys.....	no additional charge
*Task 8 – Herbicide residue sample collection & analysis.....	<u>\$875</u>
Subtotal Follow-Up Treatment	\$6,500

TOTAL 2010 PROGRAM COST.....\$20,000

(3). **General**

a. Art discussed Amy Smagula’s Long Term Treatment Plan for Merrymeeting River/Jones Pond. Each committee member will be sent a copy of the plan.

b. Ricky Rines and Scott Higgins of Aquatic Environment Management surveyed areas in Jones Pond for milfoil in April. The Diver Assisted Suction Harvesting (DASH) or GPS mapping of milfoil may be an additional method of addressing the milfoil situation.

(4). **Committee assignments**

- a. Art will contact Amy to request funding for the DASH system from the State.
- b. Alan will contact the Merrymeeting Lake Association to request funds for the DASH system.
- c. Art will attend the Merrymeeting Lake Association annual meeting in June to present a program using the DASH system to address the milfoil situation.
- d. Art will check with the State regarding restriction of boat traffic on Merrymeeting River/Jones Pond after the milfoil treatment. He will also inquire about a screen/barrier under the bridge on Jones Pond for stopping fragmented milfoil from traveling downstream.
- e. Art will attend a Selectmen's meeting and contact the Baysider in June.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:00. The next meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, June 23rd at 6:30PM. (This is changed from the normally scheduled meeting on the third week in the month).

Respectfully submitted,

Susan Hoover