

New Durham Water Quality Committee

6:30pm Community Room

Agenda March 20, 2024

1. Minutes of February 14, 2024
2. Membership recruitment - Deb
3. MML still pending 140 more property review – on hold
 - a. New Building Inspector meeting set up for 3/21/24?
4. Millfoil Update = Aqualogic down payment \$1650.00 sent on 2/7/24, Solitude \$1420.00 pending approval of #9 passed requested fee for permitting, list of abutters given email sent 3/13. Amy S also notified via email.
5. Shaws Pond Eutrophication/ Wolfeboro Watershed report – Maureen
Met with BOS 3/7/24 with Fred approved \$11,800. For Task1, 5, 7, 8 on FB Environmental would cost \$11,800. Plan to budget \$15K for 2025. Town boat ramp on Shaws needs to be remediated by the DPW and \$4k comes from the CRF conceptual design requests made with 2 companies.
6. LakeSmart
7. Lake testing schedule
8. Tabled Business till March meeting
 - a. Road salt discussion with Road Department
 - NH was the first state to use salt in 1938. In 2008 19 NH waterbodies were impaired with Cl- pollution and in 2020 50 waterbodies were impaired. It is important to protect all waterbodies in New Durham. Several Websites were reviewed.
 - Define all watersheds
 - NHDES and NHLakes Green snowpro this program exempts municipalities [Green SnowPro Certification | NH Department of Environmental Services](#)
 - NHLakes [PowerPoint Presentation \(nhlakes.org\)](#) Put Lakes on a low salt diet.
 - Question if signage “ Watershed area no salt” would be helpful.
 - Alternative snow melt materials sugar beet juice, Calcium Magnesium Acetate or plain sand. [3 Road Salt Alternatives That Don't Harm the Environment \(tomsofmaine.com\)](#)
 - Questions of how much salt does New Durham use each year? Does the state or the Town plow Merrymeeting Road? How often do we test the ponds/ tribs once any change is made to monitor improvement? Contracted plowdrivers, Copple Crown salt use?
 - UNH Technology Transfer program puts on a course contact t2.center@unh.edu