Winnisquam Watershed Network Board of Directors Meeting May 13, 2019

5:00 pm Lisa Eggleston calls meeting to order. Lisa E., Judy, Jim C., Terry, Lisa M., Lynne and Dean on phone.

Milfoil Management – Belmont will decide on funding milfoil control at June 5 meeting. No commitment from Laconia as yet. The goal is to get all municipalities commitments by mid-June. Funding may fall short of required funding needs so additional fundraising will need to be undertaken.

DASH is planned in Sunray Shores.

Lisa E. will contact Amy Smagula to see if she is still planning a Spring milfoil survey of lake.

We still need the abutters list for Tilton.

Lake Host – Dean will coordinate the Lake Host at the Fish and Game boat ramp in Laconia. It is estimated that \$3,000 will be needed to pay the Lake Host for the summer. Approximately \$1,000

has been committed by NH Lakes and Laconia Conservation Commission may be able to contribute an additional \$1,000.

NH Lakes will do the payroll and taxes for the Lake Host.

Lakes Congress – May 31st is the scheduled date at Mills Falls in Meredith.

Training Sessions – Weedwatcher training is scheduled for June 1st at Franklin Savings Bank conference room in Tilton.

VLAP training has been cancelled by NHDES. Ed and Lynne said the more VLAP volunteers, the better, but they can train on the job. Ed has a list of dates for VLAP starting on either May 21 or 22. Ed will coordinate VLAP bottle collection with Sarah Steiner at NHDES and will get the bottles for the nearshore sampling as well. Lisa will check with John Yonkunas to see if his boat is in the water and he can do the nearshore sampling. Terry's boat is in the water so she can help with sampling.

VRAP sampling will be performed by Lisa E., Bob Day, Judy and Dean. The sampling dates have not

been scheduled yet.

Website - Judy said the new website will be launched in June. Most of the comments about the draft website have been included. New pictures are being sent to Tom and Judy. They have included the WWN company sponsors on the new website, that is more friendly and informative.

Tom and Judy are going to be trained on how to update the website.

Judy will send Ed the developer's bill for payment.

Quarterly Update Letter – Lisa E. will prepare the update letter and will include grants that have been completed, dates for training for weedwatchers, VLAP, VRAP and Lake Host. The letter will include the date of the annual meeting.

Lisa E. will also include a notice of the Waukewan Watershed's Stormwater Management meeting for homeowners in Meredith Community Center scheduled for June 18 from 4-7:30.

Black Brook Stream Restoration Assessment – Several of the Sanbornton residents whose

property fronts on the stream have denied Trout Unlimited, Belknap County Conservation District and other persons access to their property to assess the conditions of the stream. Donna Hepp, Chairperson of BCCD asked WWN members to assist in explaining the project and getting access. Terry and Donna will talk with these landowners. Osborne Cottage Colony may not allow access to their property so Terry will contact them and see if she can help address their concerns. Their annual meeting is Memorial Day weekend.

Annual Meetings of Homeowner Associations – To spread the word about what WWN has been doing and to increase membership. Tony has the WWN brochures and holders so anyone needing them can contact Tony.

Ed and Lynne will attend the Mallard Landing meeting on Memorial Day weekend.

Dean will find out when the annual meetings are for Wildwood Association and Lakewood Association in Laconia. Dean will distribute brochures to his neighbors since there is not homeowners association for Leighton Avenue in Laconia.

Business Sponsors – Jim C will take WWN brochures and brochure holders to Winnisquam Marine and ask them to display the brochures and ask that Winnisquam Marine to become a business sponsor of WWN.

Terry will contact the Lobster Connection and Winnisquam Market and Jays Marina to become business sponsors.

Membership Drive – In June, WWN will push to increase membership and offer a drawing for the gift cards from Fratellos (\$25), Cactus Jacks (\$25) and Jim's daughter's business, Meredith Whole Living.

Terry will attend the Sanbornton Old Home Days meeting to try to get members.

For current members, Ed will put together list so Lisa E. can send out notices of renewals. Jim said he is willing to call current members to get them to renew. It was decided that we should add phone numbers to the registration form.

To solicit new members, WWN will make contact with municipal organizations such as: conservation commissions, boards of selectmen or councilors, planners, city managers and department of parks and recreation. Dean will get lists for Laconia and Lynne will get Belmont.

Potential Fundraisers – Several potential fundraisers were discussed including: a fishing derby and biking around the lake. Tony has worked on such fundraisers for other organizations.

Lisa M. will contact NH Fish and Game to get suggestions how to contact fishermen. She will also find out if the state stocks Winnisquam with fish and what the current status of the fishery is.

Next Board Meeting – June 3rd at 5 pm at Lisa E.'s house