Minutes for September 13, 2023

Larry Maznek called the meeting to order at 6:35 pm.

**Attendees**: Present were Darlene Johnson, Dave Bagley, Larry Maznek, Wade Pelham and Cat Bardwell. Mandie Hagan attended via Zoom.

June Meeting Minutes: The Minutes were not reviewed, as there was not a quorum present to vote on. Moved to October Agenda.

Treasurer's Report: Mandie gave the following balances in the bank accounts.

8/31/23 Get Pumped Account \$1,114.50 8/31/23 Scholarship Account \$2,729.80 8/31/23 Operating Account \$10,531.53

The Report cannot be voted on, as there was not a quorum present to vote on. Mandie will also be looking at CD Rates to be discussed at the next meeting. Moved to October Agenda.

**DES Report**: Wade updated us on the Rules process. The next step is the Water Council meeting scheduled for October. Feel free to reach out to Anthony at DES if you have any questions.

There was discussion about upcoming phosphorus limitation in the land application rules.

The closing of lagoon systems work continues; sampling was done in Sutton last week. Sutton is not taking septage at this time.

Septic Smart Week is upcoming and Septic Sam has been making posts the last couple of weeks. The DES Media Department has been handling this and they had taken some photos, and video, for Septic Smart Week with Maznek Septic and Best Septic. Those posts and others are on DES social media now. DES would appreciate it If members would pop in to DES social media on Facebook to look, and maybe they could give a thumbs up to the ones they like most.

Soil PFAS standards were discussed briefly; there may be updates to the standards coming up soon.

**Water Council Report:** Larry Maznek reported the DES Rules review is scheduled for October. GSOWA and NHASH are both requesting for riser guidelines to grade in order to make multiple tanks more accessible and remove the guesswork involved in tank maintenance. Also planning to ask for safety plastic cover inside, as it's helpful to and safer for the people doing evaluations. Gary Spaulding with GSOWA noted this process started before 2020, but the Covid interfered in the process. While Stakeholder can no longer meet with DES, GSOWA and NHASH are both able to discuss this type of situation with DES.

**GSOWA**: Larry Maznek reported on the August meeting in Meredith. Chris Albert had a Septic Designers course; Gary Spaulding is providing a Designers course also, and that course is full. Apparently, the course process is harder than it used to be. Mandie had some questions, and there was discussion on the process.

**Meeting Locations:** The River's Edge Grill & Tavern in Center Ossipee is set up for October's meeting. River's Edge is located at 310 NH-16B, Center Ossipee, NH 03814.

November will be held at the Rowell homestead and food will be ordered from Hart's Turkey Farm. Spouses will be invited to attend, as well. Details will be forthcoming, but both a commitment and payment will be necessary ahead of time. There is no meeting in December.

**Website outsourcing**: The Website is drafted, but not yet up and running. Darlene and Cat have been reviewing and suggesting edits/corrections and Darlene will be sending both lists to Rich Hudson. The process was discussed as it's progressed so far. Darlene isn't fond of the member pins on the NH Map; some of the link pins are inaccurate at this time. Facebook link would be helpful to be provided. GSDI is no longer available. There needs to be a link to the DES website, in addition to their Facebook page. Cat will be maintaining the website and Rich will provide necessary training.

## New Business:

None.

The meeting adjourned at 8:06 pm.

Respectfully submitted by: Cat Bardwell Administrative Assistant New Hampshire Association of Septage Haulers