#### **AMSTON LAKE DISTRICT**

Special Weed Committee Meeting Minutes January 24, 2024 7:00 P.M. Zoom

### A. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m.

### B. Roll Call

Present: F. Hoisl, B. Pelegano, T. Angelucci, K. Rustico, Absent: J. Caines, B. Lederer, J. Waleszczyk, D. Keith

## C. Discussion on DEEP Grant Application

The DEEP is accepting applications due 1/31/24 for funds up to \$75,000 to address: (1) restoration and rehabilitation of lakes, rivers and ponds in the state; (2) programs of DEEP for the eradication of aquatic invasive species and cyanobacteria blooms; (3) education and public outreach programs to enhance the public's understanding of the need to protect and preserve the state's lakes, rivers and ponds; (4) allocation of grants to state and municipal agencies and not-for-profit organizations to conduct research and to provide public education and public awareness to enhance understanding and management of the natural resources of the state's lakes, rivers and ponds; and (5) provision of funds for all services that support the protection and conservation of the state's lakes, rivers and ponds.

Matching funds are required and must equal or exceed 25% of the total project cost. Indirect costs are not eligible for funding through the grant, but may be used as part of applicant's match. Proposed projects should be completed within approximately eighteen months from the contract execution date

During discussion it was determined that it would not be possible to complete the application by 1/31, primarily due to the need for matching funds (would require special meeting to approve) and unfamiliarity with generating information required to apply for grant.

It was determined that the committee would discuss this activity in future meetings as it was assumed that this is a yearly grant and decide if there was opportunity to apply in the future.

Frank indicated that he would add it to the committee's February agenda.

# D. Adjournment

Meeting was adjourned 8:00

Respectfully submitted by, Frank Hoisl Committee Chair

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