

Hello Committee Members,

Lots going on, so time for an update.

Peter Pace will submit to Commerce Township another two donations of \$250 for the summer of 2022 Marine Patrol. This puts us at 7 of 8 HOAs having made the requested donation - getting number 8 would be very satisfying. All dollars are spent 100% on Lower Straits Lake and any left over dollars are carried over into 2023. The first patrol was to occur on Memorial Day but the drowning at Kensington Metropark caused chaos in the Marine Patrol Division and they did not make it on the lake as planned (we are not charged if they do not perform their duties). Thank you for your contributions.

For those that do not use Newton Road - the WRC (Water Resources Commission) has put up all the boards on the dam and will try to hold water in to keep the level at legal. At this time, there is no need to supplement the level from the pump station by Byers Barn.

Weed Treatment - We are targeting the next round of weed control as a chemical treatment the week of June 13. We do not have a specific date yet but typically try to target Tuesday weather permitting (with Wednesday being the alternate weather day). Based upon a weed survey today, the conditions should be good for this next treatment in terms of weeds and water temperature. I will provide further input after receiving confirmation from Dr. Pullman. We will intend on posting the day before with red/pink signs and then the day of the actual treatment with the legally required yellow signs. Although not all areas will be treated with chemicals, it looks like the vast majority of the shorelines will need treatment. The predominant weed slated for treatment is Eurasian Milfoil.

Special Assessment Petitions - all HOAs have turned in their petitions as requested. We have reached a mandate approval rate of 83.5% in favor. There were minimal refusals and quite a few people just not responding positive or negatively.. I will be delivering the petitions to the Township tomorrow or Tuesday per the deadline. Subject to any due diligence issues from the Township, we will see the process move on with the next steps. This process will included two public Township Board Meetings and then a lot of other back office type of things to provide for the SAD amount to be placed on the December 2022 property tax bill. As a reminder, any funds leftover in the current SAD will be returned (on a pro-rated basis) to the parcel owner of record when the Township determines the timing on the return of the old SAD funds (this is the law, it cannot be carried over into the new SAD).

I want to state a very hearty thanks to the many volunteers that helped circulate the new SAD petitions and gather the signatures. This is a time consuming effort - thank you!!

Regards,

John