

Mountain Lakes

Lakes Management Advisory Committee Meeting 5/3/16

Chair: Susan Ferguson

Members: Cook, Mesicek, Rogers, Tippy, Weinstein, Wexler

Manager: Present

Solitude Lake Management: Chris Doyle

Council Liaison: Doug McWilliams

Environmental Committee: Alison Rankin

Chair:

Called to order 7:32

Approval of April Minutes

Borough Manager:

Beaver lodges are gone.

Discussion of aerator noise. On 24/7 from April to October. Further investigation by Solitude; possibly tabling until after this Summer.

Discussion of the varying perceptions of noise from the aerators.

Discussion of putting up a laminate copy of an invasive plant species list.

Solitude Lake Management:

Discussion of a list of aquatic plants observed in the lakes. How might this be used to educate the public.

Discussion of actions to address contamination of boats transporting invasive species.

Lake treatments this season: some small treatments; whole lake for Wildwood and Mountain.

Question on algae in the Canal. Minimal now. Probably at the best point in clarity for all the lakes for this year with the cool and rainy weather at the moment.

Old Business: None

New Business:

Brief discussion of thoughts about explaining the control process for indigenous species as well as non-native and truly invasive. For example: The Manager directs a science based program that

attempts to balance the competing goals of resident needs, environmental issues and regulatory limitation on intervention, constraints on control mechanisms (such as changes in permissible chemical treatments), and budgetary constraints. The Manager does this with assistance from suggestions by the Lakes Management Committee and contracted vendors such as Solitude Lakes Management, and as directed by the Borough Council.

Public Comment: None

Meeting adjourned at 8:12 PM.

Next Meeting 5/3/16