

**Wildwood Lake Front Property Owners**  
**Semi-Annual Riparian Meeting – May 28<sup>th</sup>, 2017**

**Call to Order:** Meeting was called to order at 12 Noon by President Jim Nihls.

**Lake Committee Report:**

(Presented by Blair Wickman and RLS consultant Mike Solomon)

**Loon Status:** There was an egg on the nest on May 3<sup>rd</sup>.....the earliest date ever. Incubation period is 27 days. The nest is near Staples cottage.

**Lake Draw Down/Lowering:** The current lake level is normal (full). Riparian's voted for no drawdown for winter of 2016-2017, but due to some severe shore damage due to no drawdown, Riparian's are leaning toward lowering the lake this coming winter (2017-2018) in order to prevent future shore damage. A vote will be taken at the Sept. meeting on whether or not to perform the lake drawdown.

Jim reported that two contractors had submitted bids to perform the drawdown, and the costs were between \$10,000 and \$12,000. Bob Chadwick commented that he believed the membership could safely and efficiently perform the drawdown to the new two (2) foot maximum Standard Operating Procedure (SOP) that the club established in 2015. UPDATE: Since the meeting, Jim has appointed Bob Chadwick to the newly created position of Chair-WVPOAC Dam and Drawdown Committee, reporting to the WVPOAC Board. He will be enlisting the assistance of 4 to 5 members to sit o his committee, so if you are interested in serving, please give Bob a call or e-mail

**Lake Treatment:** We had a mild winter and cold spring....no fish kill this year but late weed formation. The electronic Lake scan and visual will be performed the week of June 5<sup>th</sup>, with treatment beginning shortly thereafter, For 2017, the same three (3) treatments will be performed as was done in 2016 with the exception of timing of the first treatment.

1. Spring treatment for "nuisance" weeds sometime during the week of June 12<sup>th</sup> or earlier, if possible, based on weed growth/formation (actual date treated was June 21<sup>st</sup>)
2. End of July/early August to treat eurasian milfoil and other weeds. (actual date treated was Aug. 1<sup>st</sup>)
3. Fall treatment in early Sept for lily pads (same treatment as last year; treatment only performed in the fall because it is most effective then and there is a four (4) month water irrigation ban after treatment).

Bob Chadwick inquired about the use of chemical Triclopyr, which has a 120 day no water use restriction. Blair indicated this chemical is only used for significant patches of Eurasian milfoil, and would only be used on an as needed basis. UPDATE: no Triclopyr was used during the 1<sup>st</sup> or 2<sup>nd</sup> treatment as no large patches of Eurasian milfoil were found.

**Adjourn:** WVPOAC President Jim Nihls adjourned the meeting at 12:20 PM

Respectively submitted, Mike Von Hagen, Secretary