

Forwarding Waterfront Report - Jan 9, 2023 (previously sent to Waterfront Committee)

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Jean/ALCON:

Waterfront issues at this time are:

1. Dredging Planning - the permit application remains in active process at MD Dept of Environment. We had one stand-down due to the state mandating a firm plan for spoils disposal. To resume processing action we had to state that we would use a specific pre-approved spoils disposal fill area in Calvert County. Consultant, Doldon Moore agreed to this requirement on our behalf. This and other factors can be expected to change which would further slow processing. However, the biggest issue now is to create a plan to fund the effort. For this we need more active volunteers to meet with state and county officials. Of course finding a grant would be a first choice. But it is probable that the only viable course of action would be for a taxing district of Cole Creek waterfront property owners that would include the Hollywood Shores HOA. The Committee can be expected to have a meeting in Feb with an advertised community mtg on the subject to follow.

2. Small Pier Refurbishment - Johnnie Hunt has taken on planning for a rebuild of this pier. At present it has structural weaknesses and is too low and frequently flooded. He is working up a cost estimate to replace the deck and raise it 10 inches. The old deck is very hard to remove due to difficulty of extracting the undersized screws used on the decking. Therefore the practical option would seem to be simply putting a new deck over the old one but with use of improved hardware.

3. Correction to Flooding of the WF Area - As stated above the lower waterfront is frequently flooded and that area needs to be raised by 4-6 inches. Also see photo attached here. I have talked to Chip on this and we think the best approach would be to push the existing blue stone topping into a pile and lay down about two loads of bank-run gravel. After grading and packing down the new fill push the topping back over it.

4. Trees along the access road - Some trees are in a mass tangle now and with many branches hanging over the road. Today one branch on a dead tree was broken and dangling over the road. Thanks to Burt Rogers for cutting this one-dead tree down. But other trees and stumps need to be cut away. Phil Stevens has offered to help with this. Also Greg Smith. And Burt may be able to help further.

5. Responsible behavior at the WF - We always need help policing the area. Last week I found young people throwing sea wall stones out into the river (including large pieces) with a related adult watching. When I informed them they should stop the adult said "why". Obviously not everyone has respect for community property.

6. Fill Material - The WF can use more fill; fill dirt, topsoil, or wood chips. Please try to coordinate to find best dumping locations to minimize workload in spreading material. Different type of fill would have optimum benefit at specific locations.

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