

## **FROG POND PROPERTY OWNERS ASSOCIATION**

### **2024 DECISION TO TEMPORARILY TAKE ON LAKE WEED MANAGEMENT**

- Per FPPOA member vote to form WCID, the WCID is responsible for Frog Pond Lake dam and weed management. As a government body, the WCID is funded solely via annual property taxes and has no other vehicle for raising funds.
- The WCID finds itself in the unusual circumstance that dam repairs and weed management both need to be addressed with urgency, but does not have the funds to address both at this time and has had to prioritize dam repairs.
- The FPPOA is a 501(c)(4) organization and as such has the ability to collect donations from members and issue tax receipts. FPPOA annual dues are held separately and utilized to cover FPPOA related (annual, emergency) expenses related to the lake and member access lot.
- A proposal was made by the FPPOA Board at the 2024 FPPOA Annual Members meeting for the FPPOA to temporarily volunteer to take over lake weed management to (1) enable the WCID to focus its funds on planned dam and weir gate repairs, and (2) utilize the FPPOA's ability to collect donations from Frog Pond Lake members. Members were supportive of proposal made, and eager to get the efforts started to tackle the West End weeds.
- May 5, 2024, the FPPOA Board further discussed the taking on of weed management and agreed the FPPOA would take this on for 2024 only, and any weed management activity would be solely funded by donations from FPPOA members, and would be revisited with the WCID in 4th quarter after the dam repairs have been made.
- Any plans for FPPOA to take over weed management permanently would need to be passed by a member vote at a FPPOA member annual meeting.