

Based on the proposal to build a pond on HOA property, the HOA Board investigated the logistics and cost of completing a project of a ½ acre pond approximately 10ft deep. The investigation included contact with the Jackson County Public Development Department, the Jackson County Water & Sewerage Authority, as well as contractors and suppliers. The results of this investigation show that it would involve expenses as follows:

\$10,000 – Licensed engineer to complete County requirements.

\$35,000 - The contractor to dig the hole and haul away the dirt.

\$24,000 – Fire hydrant water meter and water to initially fill the pond with approximately 1.5M gallons of water.

\$5,500 – Diffuser installation.

\$1,200 – Electricity for diffuser pumps (per year)

\$10,000 – Fence to surround pond.

\$8,000 – Paved pathway around pond.

\$3,000 – Dock extending into pond for fishing.

\$1,000 – Fish for initial fill.

Total costs: \$97,700.

These numbers do not reflect the ongoing maintenance costs such as algae removal, cleaning the diffuser filters, and replenishing the water due to no natural water source.

Based on the total costs involved, the building of the pond is not feasible and cannot be done.