

Everyone,

The board is aware that the grate on the drain needs to be replaced. We are working on getting someone to replace it as soon as possible. The Synagogue's Congregation has denied any responsibility for this repair and, at this point, is willing to let the law suit determine their fate unless the Village accepts very much less than the actual cost of the repairs and renegotiates their easement stipulations. So during this past month we have been getting new bids to repair the spillway and fix the drain standpipe as required by the MSD violation notice. The damage has increased considerably over the year.

This is the present situation:

1. The standpipe was higher than the 2008 as-built plans indicate. The violation order mandated we permanently lower the pipe and therefore the lake by about 2 feet.
2. The spillway needs to be reconstructed per the 2008 plans with the exception that larger rock is used at the base.

The board has been seeking information and bids during this past month. Bids for all of the repairs are as high as \$142,000. In the end the total cost will likely at least triple the \$30,000+ amounts originally bid. It was difficult to find contractors that could do the work this year and would even give us a bid. Every company we solicited is behind and has plenty of work due to all the unusual weather over these last two years. The board is hiring DJM Ecological Services and a letter has gone out to MSD for approval.

Our immediate mandate per MSD was lowering the lake. We have made this adjustment. That is why the lake level is now lower. In the process a portion of the vertical 10 inch standpipe inside the basin's detention control system cracked and had to be removed. It was discovered that the adjoining 10 foot section of pipe projecting onto the lake bottom was clogged with logs and sticks. When the logs broke loose, the rushing water prevented the proper placement of the new pipe. After the lake lowers and the water pressure lessens the pipe will be replaced. At the last inspection, we found that logs once again have clogged the portion of pipe on the bottom of the lake. This process may take some time. A new grate will be installed.

DJM estimates the spillway repairs to begin the end of November and conclude by year's end if the weather cooperates.

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