

## POND REPORT OCTOBER 2016

### I. Bullfrog extraction.

The Tomahawk Live Trap continues to catch bullfrogs. GAIA checks the trap periodically and extracts contents. We anticipate spending an additional \$112 in bullfrog extraction through December 2016.

### II. Walk around with Tony Livermore, Supervisor, Gaia Landscapes, Inc.

Wednesday, November 2, 2016, Tony and I walked our ponds and surrounding landscaping for which they are responsible under contract. We reviewed all aspects of the contract and observed the following:

- SVOA Ponds.
  - The bio socks continue to remove the algae and other sediment that naturally accumulates because this is a detention pond.
  - Both fountains are working well.
  - Currently there is relatively little surface weeds.
  - Gaia will be cutting back the lilies in the south pond to keep them under control.
- SVOA Landscaping around Ponds. Performed bi-weekly.
  - Lawn Service – lawn looks healthy.
  - Shrubs & Beds Service – weeds were under control; shrubs pruned.
- Irrigation.
  - Once the leaves have fallen and been removed, Gaia will restore the area between the sidewalk and street where BJ Turf performed irrigation work by removing exposed roots and replacing the dark Hemlock bark mulch.

### III. Improvement Project – Center of Pond – Area around Pump House = \$1,729.00, will be completed by the end of 2016.

Specifically, the plan will:

- Remove 6 large Mugho Pines (stumps cut to the ground but not removed)
- Separate existing Miscanthus grasses and install grass clumps near removed Pines
- Install drain rock in area around pump house where Pines were removed
- Install shrubs including 6 Spiraea douglasii and Scoulers Willow
- Install Dark Hemlock bark mulch in area

### IV. Removal and replacement of Mountain Ash in the easement behind 4753 Hollyhock (Lot 18) overlooking the pond is awaiting the arborist's removal before replacing with the Nyssa sylvatica "wildfire" species.