

Weed Harvesting Survey Results

Survey Put on Website - October 31, 2017 - Information collected January 11, 2018

Survey live for 72 days

QUESTIONS

What type of property do you own in the Summer Village? (Total of 24 Responses)

Lakefront	15
Non-Lakefront	7
Both	2

Have you had weed harvesting done in the past? (Total of 22 Responses)

Yes	10
No	11
I have considered having it done but did not get it done due to the cost	0
I have considered having it done but did not get it done for reasons other than costs	1

Would you support that annual cost of weed harvesting being included in your annual Summer Village taxes? (Total of 22 Responses)

Yes	9
No	13
No Opinion	0

If Weed Harvesting under the existing approved permit contributed to overall lake health, would you be more agreeable to this cost being levied within your annual Summer Village taxes? (Total of 22 Responses)

Yes	11
No	11
No Opinion	0

If weed harvesting costs are to be included in your annual Summer Village taxes, do you think those costs should be: (Total of 23 Responses)

Split equally amongst all taxable properties in the Summer Village. (Approximately \$73.05/property)	6
More for the higher-assessed properties and less for the lower-assessed properties through the mill rate	2
Shared with the lakefront property owners by paying a portion through the annual taxes and the other portion directly being paid by those owners.	5
I do not want to pay for the service at all.	10

- ✓ When we had this done the weeds were cut beside our dock and out to open water. It's not clear if this is what is being done. The cost appears to be quite high if the weed cutter is going to do it all. There should be a substantial cost reduction to do them all. For these reasons we did not complete the survey.
- ✓ The cost should be born by individual property owners I do not want it on my taxes. I do not want the Village to pay for it
- ✓ Let each property owner decide what they want to do and pay accordingly!!! I do not want this added to my taxes or Village operation costs!!!
- ✓ This weed cutting is a path for motor boats. We do not use motor boats, so should not have to pay for that. If individuals want to have a boat path through the weed they should pay for it themselves, as an expense to their boating.
- ✓ It seems fair that lakefront owners should pay a larger share than backlot owners. This is addressed through the assessment in that lakefront properties are assessed at a higher value than backlot, however this difference may not be sufficient when you consider lakefront lots that park RVs vs backlots with newer houses. Perhaps 50% of the cost for the lakefront private properties directly, and the other 50% for these properties plus the municipal reserve lots split amongst all other property owners?
- ✓ Let's clean our lake and keep it clean
- ✓ I would really like to see all lakefront properties have a swath of weeds cut to allow for greater water movement and hopefully less algae build-up along the shore. In addition, I would love to have some sort of "weed pick up" or "weed bin" in each crescent for lake front property owners to deposit weeds that we clear which blow in on the lakeshore. Often there is too much for our garbage in the summer months, they don't burn well, and they don't compost. Sitting on the lakeshore they grow stinging nettle, and we have loads that blow in each summer. If there are ideas of how to deal with them I'd appreciate it!
- ✓ just want the weeds cleaned up at any cost it is ugly make it happen
- ✓ Lakefront owners are not the only people that benefit from the lake. t
- ✓ Lakefront people pay. Thank You
- ✓ Weed harvesting is an important service to lake front properties. If it is proven that cutting all lakefront, including public lots, would be of benefit to the lake, I am supportive of this being part of our taxes though I think lakefront properties should pay a higher tax for this than the back properties.
- ✓ I am in total agreement all lake front properties whether public or private should be harvested for weeds. With the lake front property owners paying for more of the share. Thanks
- ✓ As a NEW lake front property owner, I was not aware that this service was available. If notices of this service could be sent next year that would great! Also...who pays for the weed control in front of the municipal reserves (in between lake front lots.?) The weeds in these areas are abundant and should also be addressed. Thank you!
- ✓ If lake front properties want this they can pay for it themselves.