Forest Lake Improvement Association

Weed Committee Meeting Minutes

Prepared By Kevin Baldwin

Meeting Date:	Wednesday 11Oct23 6:30pm – Adjourned 8:30pm
Location:	Rob's House
In Attendance:	Kevin Baldwin, Jeannine Kitzerow, Rob Boehm, John Bardenwerper, Debra Kosup, Dawn Feeney, Danielle Webster

Agenda, Discussion Notes, and Action Items

A. Onterra Plan Review

Discussion Items: Debra raised a concern that we don't know what or how the updated plant study will include or be performed. John and Rob shared how past studies have been conducted. Danielle raised a concern that we don't know enough about ProCellacor to judge the quality of a possible future treatment. The dual Board/Weed Committee members reiterated the value of Onterra as an experienced aquatic consulting firm to help guide us through both concerns at the appropriate times in the project. All participants are encouraged to bring additional research to enhance their concerns to these discussions.

Action Items: The support of the Weed Committee and Board members will be crucial in successfully implementing our long-term plan and strategy with Onterra. We should all be prepared to raise valuable questions with supporting data at the appropriate time of each step of the plan and also be prepared to implement action items as directed and requested by Onterra.

B. Onterra LOS Candidates

Discussion Items: Onterra has stressed the value of securing community LOS for our grant application(s).

Action Items:

1. A list of 10+ possible community LOS organizations were identified and divided amongst the Board members for contact. Subsequently on 13Nov23 we sent Onterra a packet of approximately 5+ community LOS which Onterra included in our 15Nov APM grant application.

C. 2024 weed maintenance projects

Discussion Items: While our LMP update and grant application(s) processes are in place for 2024-2026, the committee discussed possibly doing a more extensive DASH service to create a navigation path around the island and/or possibly performing a modified harvesting using FL volunteers in Summer 2024.

Action Items: The committee members identified possible DASH service areas at multiple points around the lake. We also discussed purchasing a potable aquatic mower which can be attached to a pontoon or battery powered rowboat and maneuvered around the lake to perform a modified harvesting. Both options will be investigated further over the winter and spring.

D. Additional Topic: Rob advised that in 2016 Wade's concrete ramp was cracked during a weed treatment exercise. Rob, Wade and Al are investigating the problem and researching how best to repair the crack. Estimated cost of repair $800.

E. Next Meeting TBD