# 12/15/2016 Meeting Summary of Pond Committee

The following members were present: Paul Clark, Tyler Geren, Kim Spiezio, Cindi Hearne, and Barbara Graham. Steve Faulkner and Bob Cook were absent.

A detailed proposal to control aquatic vegetation in ponds from Jim Caldwell of Aquatic Resource Management, Inc., was reviewed and discussed. On December 7, 2016, Mr. Caldwell toured the Seven Lakes ponds and has suggested the most cost effective solution is placement of triploid grass carp (effective for 5 - 7 years), along with use of EPA approved shading products and herbicides . He is licensed, insured and bonded to treat aquatic weeds in Tennessee and is willing to work with us knowing we have a limited budget by working on the ponds that need the most attention, applying shading products in upstream ponds to get cost free benefit downstream and only in the first couple of months when the aquatic weed problems get started. Mr. Caldwell is not interested in maintaining the fountains. The committee agreed we will continue to obtain additional proposals. Also, we received a fountain instruction guide from Turtle Fountains, LLC to distribute to committee members as information.

Issues with wildlife were also discussed. We will contact members of the Landscape Committee to determine any action they are taking against beavers, muskrats, etc., that erode pond shorelines and destroy trees. Also, since the subdivision will be entering into a new agreement with a landscaping contractor, we will ask Landscaping to include a separate cost provision concerning cleaning up garbage around the ponds; and also, on an as needed basis, cleaning of the pond fountains (at least every three months).

As soon as the pond fountains have been cleaned and working properly, we will obtain locks to secure the electrical control cabinets. Once locked, the Committee will develop a plan to allow appropriate access.

Committee members agreed to communicate any new or additional information via email until another meeting is scheduled for 2017.