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Sent:

Monday, April 10, 2017 2:49 PM

To:

Crystal Kass; Dan Koski; Greg Minikel; Jill Erickson; Matt Smits; Mike Zimmer; Sonja Birr;

Steve Herzog

Subject:

FW: Subdivision Ponds

Jerry Strharsky, 2715 Knuell St(920-901-5207) called to complain about the lack of maintenance that is occurring on the storm pond on the corner of Deerbrook Ln and Knuell St. He said there is a split rail fence that is falling down and he is concerned about the safety of the kids that play around there. I told him that the city does not own this pond, that it was foreclosed on from the original developer and that the county now has control of it. He was wondering what can be done to get this area cleaned up. We should look at doing something with these soon!

From: Matt Smits

Sent: Tuesday, September 15, 2015 10:06 AM **To:** Dan Koski; Greg Minikel; Jill Erickson

Subject: RE: Subdivision Ponds

See below in red. There are a total of 7 private subdivision Ponds. Four of them are behind in taxes and three of them are paid up.

From: Matt Smits

Sent: Thursday, September 03, 2015 2:19 PM **To:** Dan Koski; Greg Minikel; Jill Erickson

Subject: Subdivision Ponds

I think we all know the following ponds are behind in taxes.

1. Wild Oak at Stoney brook

BMP#07-05

2. Woodridge Dr.

BMP#07-04

Albert Dr.

BMP#06-02

Deerbrook LN

BMP#04-03

Popps or Summit pond

BMP#05-06 Taxes paid each year \$10.55 with an additional +-\$426.38 for

weed cutting.

Homestead pond

BMP#04-04 is paid up in taxes probably never had a concrete assessment.

Silver Ridge Ponds BMP02-01 is paid up in taxes. The ponds are part of the home lots

Jill checked with the county they will not foreclose on them because no one wants them. I think this means they are in a kind of no man's land and are part of the tax pool that we will never get any money from. If we take them over they would be tax exempt and then not part of the equation. Taxes would go up city wide to make up for the smaller tax base.

Currently any new subdivisions we would take over the ponds. With ownership we would have to maintain them, which would be mowing along the curb and sidewalk and once a year mowing of the remainder of the pond. Eventually dredging.

See attached pics of the ponds they are starting to get some bigger trees growing on them from not being mowed. The grass is being mowed probably by neighbors along the back of curb.

That is where they sit encase anyone asks. Do we want to look at taking them over.

thanks

Matt Smits

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