



Meeting Name: Town Council Meeting
Meeting Date: July 24, 2024
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Item Title: Pelican Lake – Cattail Removal

DISCUSSION:

Leading up to and at the Pelican Lake Workshop meeting of June 27, 2024, the suggestion was made to remove the cattails located at the southeast portion of Pelican Lake. This section of cattails has grown and is blocking the view of the lake for both pedestrians and residents of condominiums in this area. With council approval this section of cattails would be removed mechanically in August, allowing time for nesting birds to leave and only after the area is walked and inspected to ensure there are no active nests.

Staff will follow the procurement policy to obtain a vendor and requests up to \$10,000 be allocated from contingency for the removal. It has been suggested that the Town replace the cattails immediately with Bulrush, which will cost an additional \$6,000.

With the removal of the southeast cattails, an area of cattails will remain on the east side of the lake just to the north of this section that can serve as a nesting area.

RECOMMENDATION:

Staff recommends the council makes a motion to approve the expenditure from contingency up to \$10,000 (Cattail removal only) or \$16,000 (Cattail removal and Bulrush replacement).