Borough of Mountain Lakes

Lakes Management Advisory Committee Meeting

June 4, 2013

**Present**

Chair: Susan Ferguson

Members: Bailey, Dewing, Tippy, Wexler

Manager: Robert Tovo

Council Liaison: Council Member Doug McWilliams

Allied Biological: Chris Doyle

Environmental Commission Liaison: Alison Rankin

Opened at 7:35

**Chair**

* May minutes approved

**Manager’s** **Report**

* Wildwood spillway 90+% finished. Similar to Mountain Lake dam spillway except for valving.
* Letters went to all lakefront property owners about docks and floating rafts.
* The Canal is having loose aggregate removed. Down to about 5’ at mouths, 3’ in body. Planning careful reintroduction of water at completion. Mountain Lake end likely to be closed longer than Wildwood. Various extensive records of the process. Committee discussion of various factors in the past and considerations for the future. Discussion of the treatment issues and timing arising from the Canal project; between Manager and Allied.
* In response to a question, still no sign of active beaver presence at Birchwood.

**Allied Biological**

* Discussion of coming inspections and possible issues regarding turbidity from the Canal project. Heavy rainfall could have a negative impact. This could be a difficult treatment year.
* Water primrose has been observed; its progress could be accelerated by the disturbed environment.
* Birchwood, more extensive treatment of lilies. Sonar treatment is having some impact on Crystal lilies. Success with some of the rooted plants will tend to cause some increase in algae. Alum delayed in Wildwood. Wide use of Sonar to control lilies would require dosage that would take out most submersed plants.
* Fecal coliform results fine so far.
* Algae results generally low in all lakes. Some Blue-green but not an issue. Clarity good to excellent.

**New Business**

Comment that reports should focus on location within lakes, not on specific street addresses.

Adjourned 8:25 PM

Next meeting July 2, 2013