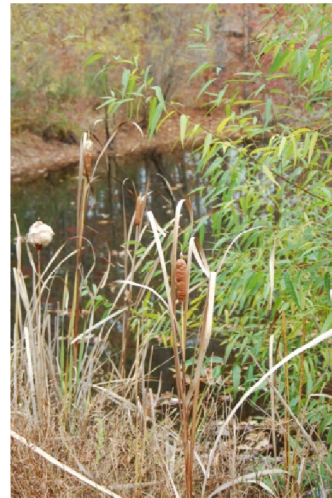


## BMA Pond Project



Proposal to vote for a pond fund for the maintenance as well as stocking of our BMA pond.

\$200 a year

It was exciting to me to talk with James Caldwell , Aquatic Resource Management, Inc.

They have been in business of building, stocking and maintaining ponds in Georgia and surrounding states for twenty five years. Havin a pond stocked with fish has increased the property value of several communities throughout

the years of business.

We need to do a survey of our pond. Find out what lives in it? Whether it is a predator which has eaten itself out of house and home. If this is the case, then we will have to get most of them out. If we have

More than a third grasses in our pond we will need to go to the fish coop here in Lafayette and try and

Get four or five grass carp the size of your hand. Then when the grasses are cleared we can introduce in the spring, a fun flashy and playful and hard to catch blue gill. (I think this fish would be fun for our children and grandchildren and future children to try and catch) note-we could train these fish to come to the edge of the waters to feed by throwing feed from a pail to them every so often.) Then what a show they will put on for the audience.

Next, I would like to propose that we have rainbow trout stocked at \$600.00 for about 800. ( This would come from our pond fund monies) We could have a fish fry and invite a fly in as well as inviting our neighbors and maybe even charge and put the monies toward new initiatives that need immediate attention or if we have left over funds add more to the pond area? I am open for ideas. One would be bird feeders like purple martin houses or possibly just having butterfly plants to attract butterflies as well as hummingbirds and trying to keep our blue heron coming back like he has every year. This is our community pond so we can all share ideas with the pond committee and try to implement your suggestions.