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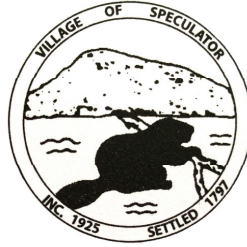
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CANADIAN GOOSE REMOVAL NOTIFICATION

April 2, 2025

Dear Resident:

The increase in the population of Canadian Geese has been problematic in recent years creating both a public health issue and nuisance.

The Village of Speculator has been authorized by NYS DEC permit to remove Canadian geese under a federal depredation order. Geese will be taken by lethal action, which includes the use of shotguns. The areas noted in the permit are limited to the Village Beach, Tunney Park and the Village ballfield next to the pavilion. As per the requirements of the permit, this letter serves to notify all residents/dwellings within 500 feet of the designated permit area. The permit is valid between April 1 and August 31, 2025.

The following individuals are the only ones authorized to operate under this permit: Jim Swanson, Ed Scharpou and Tom Hines.

Jim, Ed and Tom are well experienced in handling shotguns and will employ good gun safety measures. Their responsibilities include the removal and appropriate disposal of the geese. Each of them will be carrying a copy of the permit with them. They will be operating sporadically throughout the day as they notice the geese population on the property and lack of individuals. The Hamilton County Sheriff's office will also be notified each time they are removing geese from these areas.

Please contact me if you have any questions or concerns.

Sincerely yours,

Jeannette A. Barrett, Ph.D, Mayor

cc via email: Sheriff Carl Abrams; Jim Swanson; Ed Scharpou; Tom Hines; Crystal O'Brien, Clerk-Treasurer

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