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WEST VIEW SHORES WINTER NEWSLETTER

January 2017

Well, it's mid-January and 'so far so good' with the weather, just a couple of cold snaps and dustings of snow. Hope everyone had a pleasant holiday season. As the days get longer (yeah!), the anticipation of spring is just around the corner.

2017 WVSCA Events

Below is the list of the planned events for 2017. We include the private events, as well as the planned WVSCA events, so you are aware of the activities on the community areas. If you wish to hold an event on the Open Space/Community Property of West View Shores, please contact Valerie Woodruff or Marion Bowman.

1. Burning of the Winter Socks and Soup Mug-In: Saturday, March 25 - 6pm
2. Spring Meeting: Saturday, May 20 - 9am
3. Beach Clean Up: Saturday, May 20 after meeting, approx. 10:30am
4. Summer Solstice Celebration: Saturday, June 24, 7:30pm (note: sunset is ~ 8:35pm)
5. Crab and Beef Fest: Saturday, August 12 - 4pm
6. Annual Meeting: Saturday, August 26 - 9am
7. Harvest Moon Celebration: Saturday, October 7 - 6pm (note: full moon is on the 5th)
8. PRIVATE EVENT: Lee Wedding Reception: Saturday, June 17
9. PRIVATELY SPONSORED: Woodfest: Saturday, July 1 - 4pm

Water Project Update

The installation of the water line from Cecilton is progressing as scheduled and should be finished on time. The distribution lines in our community are also progressing on schedule. A "stub" is being put in place for every property, including vacant lots. As soon as the distribution lines are in place, the fire hydrants will be fully functional. You may want to consult your homeowners' insurance companies to see if you might have a reduction in the cost of your policies.

When the distribution lines are complete, work can begin on connecting homes to the line. The bid for that work will be put out shortly so that the work can begin as soon as all other work is completed.

A special meeting about what to expect when the connections to homes is done will be held in the spring, probably in April. You will receive notice in the mail about the time and place. A Frequently Asked Questions (FAQ) document is being prepared. Information about the meeting and the FAQ will also be on our website www.westviewshores.org.

Pearce Creek Site Update

The liner project is nearing completion. Final details will be completed within the next two months. The Corps of Engineers will remove all construction trailers and construction equipment from the site. Also, when the weather improves the Corps has agreed to plant trees along the site to improve how it looks.

Pictures of the site and other information about both the liner project and the water lines are available on the website www.pearcecreekoutreach.com.

The next Implementation Committee Meeting will be February 17 at 10 AM at Parklands Community Building in Cecilton. All are welcome to attend.

Drainage Update

Activities to improve and maintain the drainage system have continued through the Fall and Winter. A comprehensive action item list, utilizing last year's report from AECOMM, has been developed for the east (beach) and west (boat ramp) sides of Basin Road.

On October 2, a Cecilton Fire Company water truck was used to flush out the drain pipes. Results of the attempted flushing was not what we expected; no obvious debris exited the pipe at the beach, but we learned a lot about what is working and what is not.

Volunteers have already made many improvements, cleaning out catch basins, installing grates over outlets to bay to restrict seagrass clogging pipe, installing a new catch basin, and trying to keep the catch basins from clogging with leaves and Sweet Gum balls.

Some items have been identified as needing to be completed before the roads are repaved and need to be accomplished by a contractor with the proper equipment. We have spoken with a local contractor and are expecting his response next month. We are also investigating potential grant money available through the state.

Maintenance Fees for 2017

Invoices for 2017 maintenance fees will be mailed out late January/early February. The fees are based on the per property share of the budget that was approved by shareholders at the Annual Meeting on August 27, 2016. Please pay your fees as soon as possible, upon receipt of your invoice. The deadline date is May 1, 2017.

As always, please view our website - westviewshores.org for community news, upcoming events and updates.

Best Wishes for a happy and healthy 2017!