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WEST VIEW SHORES CIVIC ASSOCIATION MAY 2020

The world has certainly changed since we sent the last newsletter. We have been dealing with staying at home, limiting time going out to take care of basic tasks and needs and wearing face masks to protect from the Covid19 virus. Spring seems to be trying to arrive, but the changeable weather is standing in the way.

SPRING MEETING CANCELLED

The Board has decided to cancel the Spring Meeting in keeping with the Governor's order to avoid large crowds. Fortunately, this is not a meeting when we need to take action and has generally been an informational meeting. To keep you informed about Civic Association business, the most up to date financial report is being placed on the website: www.westviewshores.org. We will continue to provide information via newsletter and email as necessary.

PLEASE OBSERVE SOCIAL DISTANCING AND AVOID CROWDS

We sent an email recently about the need to observe social distancing and to not congregate in crowds. Many of our residents have underlying medical conditions that make them more vulnerable to the virus than others, and as we have learned recently even the young and healthy can contract the disease. Please be considerate of your friends and neighbors with your own responsible behavior.

BEACH AREA AND BOATING

Governor Hogan has signaled that public beaches can open and it seems that recreational boating is allowed or will be allowed shortly. Our beach will be available for use by residents only but please avoid crowding.

Boats that are moored near the beach should be moored south of the bulkhead where the tree is located to ensure safety of swimmers. Boats have been too close recently. Buoys will be placed soon to indicate where boats are allowed.

BEACH CLEAN UP

We are in the process of arranging beach clean up later in May. The work will be done by a contractor and volunteers are discouraged to avoid liability for the contractor. Orange Cans will be in place for beach debris. Please do not place any personal trash or brush from your property. We must adhere to strict requirements for the landfill. Thank you.

Mini Beach Clean Ups will be organized every few weeks to keep the beach clear for safe and pleasant use. Diane Perrymore is leading this effort and volunteers are needed for the work. We will post when these clean ups will be done so please be on the alert so you can lend a hand.

BULKHEAD AT BEACH

As was noted in an earlier newsletter the bulkhead at the beach was washed out by the Halloween storm. We are seeking bids to determine cost of replacing it and this will be discussed and need to be voted on at the Annual Meeting in August. In the meantime, we are clearing out the area and placing posts to preserve as much of the area as possible. Ed Lavin and Howard Gipe have done much of the work so far and would welcome help with it. Please contact Ed Lavin if you are willing to help.

DRAINAGE

We are continuing to pursue solutions to drainage problems, especially in the beach area. We hope to be able to provide information soon.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS AND BOARD MEMBERS IN AUGUST

Several positions are open and will be elected at the Annual Meeting. They include: President, Director East, Director Central, Director West and one Director At Large. You may wish to offer your services to the community by placing your name on the ballot. We will send another newsletter in the summer to remind everyone. Also, open positions will be posted on community bulletin boards.

MAINTENANCE FEES DUE NOW

Thanks to those who have paid their 2020 maintenance fees. If you have not paid yet, please do so as soon as possible.

CONTACT INFORMATION NEEDED

Please provide your contact information to us. Please send information to Valerie Woodruff (www.vwoodruff7@comcast.net or 302-242-1573) First of all, we may need to contact you regarding problems at your property. This situation has occurred several times in recent months, and it was helpful to have the contact information available. Second, we send the newsletter via email to as many residents as possible to keep down mailing costs. Also, we will publish the information in our next directory. If any contact information has changed since the last directory, please update it with us.

SUMMER ACTIVITIES

It is likely that most summer activities will be cancelled. We will notify the community via email and post signage at the community entrance about activities. We certainly hope we will be able to hold our annual Crab Feast in August.

ROAD CLEAN UP AND FIRE SAFETY MEETING

Both of these activities are cancelled. We will try to reschedule the Fire Safety Meeting for late summer/early fall. You will be notified.