



David Spall - Volunteer Trustee

Thank You – Volunteers

I would like to thank all our volunteers for their time & talents with our activities held in 2012. The events were great and many Lake Erie Shores residents enjoyed them. Also thanks to all the Lake Erie Shores residents who help out daily in our community. Like the young man picking up the garbage on the beach one early morning. As he said to me, he just wanted it nice for everyone to enjoy the beach. A big thanks to all for the great 2012 year.

Park & Beach Security Options - Chuck Hillier (Volunteer Trustee)

As you are certainly aware, we had some vandalism occur at our parks this year from some very brazen individuals but this is not the first time, nor the second that we've had to pay for damage due to vandalism. To help guard against this in 2013 some unique ideas have been brought forward that I would like to share with you and hopefully draw your response back on. Concerning security for the development, we've beefed up our "Security" line item from \$1,800 to \$3,500.

A suggestion brought forward from "Jessica" is to purchase and distribute the "Livestrong" style rubber bracelets to resident children (and adults?) to wear to the beach and park area for quick recognition. I initially had mixed thoughts on the idea but it has grown on me over time. It does provide a relatively inexpensive option to quickly identify area residents and the bands would be distinctive in color/design so they would not be easily reproduced. Please let me (Chuck Hillier) know your feelings on this option by contacting me directly at avcmcchi@sbcglobal.net.

Another option for Security is our desire to hire an adult, preferably a teacher or senior citizen who could flex time to provide random security at our beach and playground park. Our desire would be for an adult to set aside a handful of hours each week during the year (April through October) and turn away those who attempt to use our parks that are not residents.

By "turning away" I mean they would ask visitors where they live and if turned out they were uninvited guests they would inform them that they are trespassing on private property and ask them to leave. If the uninvited guests refused to leave, the adult would simply call the Sheriff and let them deal with the trespassing. The security guard would NOT be responsible to confront the person(s) further or anything else. We would pay this person for the hours they work and we would have a prearranged agreement on number of hours to charge per week or month. If this interests you please send a letter or email to the board stating your interest.

Chuck Hillier - Volunteer Trustee

As I'm writing this it's the day after Christmas, a blizzard warning is in effect and I'm at home unwinding from the hectic pace of the last few days. Hope your holidays were as wonderful as mine.

You should have received your invoice for 2013 HOA fees the week of December 17th, if not please contact First Realty Property Management Company at 440-720-0100. We were able to hold the fees steady this year at \$310 and payment is due January 1st, however we fully understand it's the holiday season so late fees are not incurred as long as payment is received in full by March 31st.

As promised last month, I will discuss a little more in detail about our upcoming budget and where our major sources of expenditures can be expected. First off we decided as a board to move forward with finalizing construction of the Lake Road sidewalk to connect Zephyr Lane in Nautica all the way to Pebble Beach Cove. Combined with our current side walk connecting Pebble Beach Cove to Outrigger, you will

now be able to walk the entire development along Lake Road. We plan on beginning construction as soon as the snow melts in the spring and anticipated cost for this project is projected in the range of \$30,000-\$40,000 and will be paid for out of capital reserve accounts.

In 2013 we will get the entire length of picket fencing throughout the development stained. In years past we've had volunteers contribute their time to do different sections but we never had enough help to complete the project. We've decided to simply move forward with contracting the work out to complete the fence all along Lake Road and the entrance to the playground park on Clipper Cove. We haven't gone out for bids on this job but don't expect the cost to be out of hand.

Although we will ultimately be reimbursed for repair of the fire damage at both parks we will have to front that money, anticipated repair of fencing and staining of the shed is approximately \$3,500.

Concerning security for the development, we've beefed up our "Security" line item from \$1,800 to \$3,500. See the accompanying article in this month's newsletter addressing this.

Our engineering budget was lowered for 2013 to \$7,500 as we contract this service out with Land Design Consultants, Inc for property reviews and any issues (streams, basins, etc.) that arise during the year.

We increased our budgeted legal amount from \$9,500 to \$12,500 as we have increased our collection efforts which have enabled us to collect more on past debts in recent years. We will take the same approach in 2013 as we continue pursuing and reconciling outstanding debt.

We increased our tree maintenance budget line item from \$2,150 to \$7,500 as we've had a number of trees in our parks and entranceways damaged by weather and time. We plan on correcting as much as we can during the coming year.

Another line item of significance is \$15,000 put aside for basin repairs. As many are aware, we put a plan in place several years ago to address these issues but corrective actions have been delayed but we are hopeful that we can begin the correction/improvement process in 2013.

November expenses totaled \$10,776.61 which includes a monthly deposit to Reserves of \$984.50. Some of our larger non-monthly expenses included \$1,910.81 for stream cleanup expenses. We also had landscaping repairs of dead grass areas throughout the development corrected costing us \$1,361.07. We paid the Treasurer of the State of Ohio \$516.35 for a submersible land lease we are responsible for.

If you have any questions please don't hesitate to contact me at home (926 Pebble Beach Cove – 350-1640) or via email at avcmcchi@sbcglobal.net. This is your Homeowners Association, your neighborhood, get involved and make it better! The Finance Committee could use additional members if you're interested.

Respect the past in the full measure of its desserts, but do not make the mistake of confusing it with the present nor seek in it the ideals of the future.

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DOG LICENSE – 2013

Yes, it's time to get your Dog License for 2013 in Lake County.

New licenses are being sold between December 1 and January 31. All

dogs three months of age and older according to state law must be licensed.

The Dog License will identify you as the owner, should your Dog become lost.

Lake County Dog Shelter

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