

CROSSCREEK COMMUNIQUE JUNE 30, 2015

POND WRAP UP

The pond remediation and reconstruction was completed earlier this month with the completion of the drain hookups of the west bank homes to the newly installed drainage system. There followed some work to repair erosion that occurred while the hook ups were being completed caused by the unusual and severe rain storms that we've been experiencing.

Our project engineer has completed the required acceptance submissions to the Southwest Florida Water Management District and Pinellas County and received their approvals. Going forward we will be self-inspecting and reporting to SWTMD on a regular basis to certify the pond's filtering and safety systems viability.

Remaining activity will be to turn on our fountain once we feel the new embankments are sufficiently established to withstand the wave and wind action it creates. Further there may be the need for some plantings to help with erosion, but that will be determined after this summer season and be slated for next year's budget if necessary.

Our project loan repayment will commence on July 16th with a 5 year payback schedule which we can prepay if we've the available resources.

We hope this year and one half project has been completed to your satisfaction, from an environmentally friendly, safe and beauty perspective.

WATER MITIGATION CREDITS UPDATE

As previously reported to the Board, we have been in contact with the Pinellas County Watershed Protection Program (the agency that oversees the surface water programs and assigns the fees to offset their costs) and was told by their director to wait to file an application for a reduction in those fees because they were changing the application and community filing requirements to make the process easier. We now know that the application process is available and will be working with our pond engineer to give them the information that they need to see if we qualify for a reduction of our homeowner's fees going forward. The application approval process starts October 1st for the current year. We'll let you know in future communications where we are in that process.

NEIGHBORHOOD WATCH AND POOL VANDALISM

Our neighborhood watch program under Jeannie Fusaro's leadership has been active in sharing information about cooperating with the Sheriff's department to keep our community safe and up to date with current trends in our area. While we have a good group of dedicated "watchers" it would help if all of us report unusual and possibly illegal activity when we see it. We should not take individual action in the case of such occurrences, but gather information and let the Sheriff's office know about it ASAP. As published in the last communique, for non-emergency calls the number is 727-582-6200, for emergency calls 911. If you are interested in joining the program call Jeannie at 727-223-3039.

As many of you know we've had a couple of after-hours incidents of unauthorized folks and acts of vandalism at our pool. One of the problems is that the restrooms doors have not been left locked. We'd ask that all users of the pool make sure that all doors and gates are closed and locked when they leave the area. The Sheriff has been given permission to respond to such incidents when reported and arrest those responsible. While the folks who live

closest to the pool are most likely to see or hear such activity, all of us should be aware of the possibility and be especially observant when we are around the pool area after hours. In all cases, however, we should not confront anyone, but call the Sheriff's office at 727-582-6200. They will do the rest.

There have been many suggestions on how to secure the pool and the board will be evaluating those and others in the upcoming meetings.

DOG LEASH LAWS

Our dogs are like family to many of us and a source of great comfort and companionship. One of the necessary activities is the once or twice daily walk to exercise and attend to our dog's needs. We want to remind everyone that under Pinellas and community rules all dogs must be leashed at all times. The rules are for the safety of our pets and of our homeowners and guests. We thank you for your cooperation.

IRRIGATION WATER TESTING

The board will, through our treasurer, George Fusaro be testing our well water on a regular basis and reporting the results on our website. The latest tests show total dissolved solids (soluble salts) parts per million (PPM) 2828, Sodium ppm at 505 and Chloride ppm at 1122. These are all up from December 2014, so we continue to urge everyone to make sure any plants you plan are sustainable in this environment.

We'll be posting the following information from the Florida extension service on our website. It deals with salt tolerant plants in Florida. You can cut and paste the following link, <http://manatee.ifas.ufl.edu/FFL/Dazzling-Designs-pdfs/Salt%20Tolerant%20Plants%20for%20Florida.pdf>, to access the information.

COMMUNITY DIRECTORY

We will be working on the final touches to our electronic neighborhood directory in the month of July, hopefully to be distributed for use in early August. Thanks for bearing with us.

REVISED COMMUNITY DOCUMENTS

Connie Hillman, VP of the CCHOA has been working at this project for over a year and will have new community documents, compliant with state statute and revised to community standards. There will be a proxy letter sent and a community meeting held to vote on these revisions. We will let everyone know when that is to take place and will email and post the dates, time and place. We hope you all will participate in this most important process.

Welcome to Cross Creek

Welcome to Leah Hoke, 1473 Riverdale Dr. and Tracey and Vera Gray, 1469 Riverdale Dr. we hope you find our community friendly and beautiful. Let us know if we can make your stay here more enjoyable. (Editor's note: If I missed anyone new, please let me know and I'll acknowledge you in a future communique.)

**NEXT HOA BOARD MEETING, MANAGEMENT & ASSOCIATES, INC,
720 BROOKER CREEK ROAD, SUITE 206; TUESDAY, JULY 14 AT 4:00 P.M.**

Have a happy and safe 4th of July holiday, Bob Tedoldi, Secretary