
Board Members in Attendance

President: Keith Shoff, Vice President: Fred Verga, Treasurer: Troy Purnell, Secretary: Barry King

Member At Large: Joe Mosby; Recording Secretary: Xanthe Lewis

Property Manager's Report by Troy Purnell

Property Manager's Report: The pond fountain upfront is in the process of being repaired. Most of the grounds crew is laid off, except for Antoine. He is still winterizing a few things. This will probably be his last week. The grounds are in good shape, except they are wet. All lawn mowers have been put away. We have in the budget to buy another mower for next spring, but do not need to do it until then. Almost all the trees have been taken care of. Only the ones by the volleyball court have not. They have not yet repaired the fence around the water plant. I have been on the water plant and the county. I have sent them many emails and put in several calls. The office phone will be getting fixed this week. We have changed the service and Verizon is trying to fix the issue. Please use the secondary office numbers, 410-641-4126 or 410-641-4266, until it is fixed.

Treasurer's Report by Troy Purnell

- A. Financial through October of 2020: The income was under budget by \$7,900. Mostly due to laundry and vending being under. Amenities are over budget by \$36,501, mostly due to the pool monitors cost of \$32,909. Expenses under budget by \$487. Contingency under by \$5,200, and meeting expenses are up by \$2,600. Maintenance is under budget by \$14,610. Building maintenance is under budget by \$9,000. Erosion control under budget by \$4,690. Road maintenance is under \$4,000. The gate repairs are over \$10,399, because we have two brand new gates. Utility budget is under \$36,000 due to WIFI not being spent. Electricity is under by \$25,000. Overall, that is \$5,874 better than we projected. We have not heard anything yet about the PPP money. That was \$34,000, that if or when its forgiven, will go into our income.

Old Business

- A. Website: (Barry King) We are trying a zoom meeting for the first time. I am looking into changes for next year if we must continue the zoom meeting. You will be able to go under the next board meeting icon on the homepage and get right into the meeting. I was expecting a few hiccups today with our first meeting but it is been very minor. We should be ready to go with our next board meeting on zoom. The website itself is always under development and expandable.
- B. Work Order Status: (Troy Purnell)
1. Drainage/Erosion control- Just waiting to pass the budget because we are even right now. We have a bid for about \$55,000. The contractor just needs to be scheduled, there are three spots we would like to get started on right away.
 2. Road Cracks- I have talked to three different companies about doing those. Seal tech was the best deal. They have done it for us the last two times. Also, we need to do an overlay from the gate to where the pond is, because that part of the road is deteriorating.
- C. White Horse Park Update: They have taken the county out of their lawsuit. As far as we understand there are a lot of residents that voluntarily moved out. They are down to about 40 residents now. They

choose not to opt out of their board. It is still scheduled to go to a court hearing, which may be postponed due to the pandemic. We are waiting to hear back from their attorney.

- D. 4 Way Stop at Bay Breeze and Assateague Way: We believe it will be beneficial to have two more stop signs there. We could add an LED light strip on the stop signs to alert drivers to the change. Other options will be investigated as well. The lights would only be up during the season. They are not bright lights that would filter into your homes, they are only noticeable when approaching the sign. We ask all vehicle and golf cart drivers to please abide by all our stop and speed signs. If you are aware of any delivery drivers speeding, we encourage you to report them to their company's safety division.
- E. Rec Center Painting: We will get an estimate from our painter to get that done. The paint color will be matched to the color that was done in the clubhouse.
- F. COVID-19 Response: Governor Hogan has increased the locked downs on bars and restaurants. Berlin is implementing mandatory masks for any outdoor event. Most of the restrictions remained the same.

New Business

- A. 2020 Budget: We have received six different inquiries, not wanting to raise the dues at all. There are some major ticket items that are going to come up in the next twenty years. The dues have not been raised in seven years, even then it was a minor increase. Since then costs have gone up. This increase is needed to maintain the community. Over the past thirty years the dues have increased minimally. We believe it is better for the residents to pay a little each year, then have a large special assessment. Even with this increase our dues will still be lower than most of the Ocean City area. A motion was made to raise the dues from \$105 to \$125 per month, that motion was seconded. The board voted unanimously to increase the dues. Effective date of the HOA increase will be with the January billing.
- B. Boat Storage Billing: This year the boat storage will be billed on your HOA dues in January. You can still drop off your payment to the front office, as you do with your HOA payment. Xanthe will start calling everyone who currently has a boat storage to ask if you would like to continue that. The storage will remain \$100 for the year. If I do not hear back from you, I will assume you are keeping your storage and that will be added to your bill. You can always cancel that after if you wish. We have a large waitlist for the storage area, and I ask anyone who has a slip they do not use to please return their slip.

Committee Reports

- A. Beautification: Missi Clark- Nothing new to report on.
- B. ECC: MaryAnn Bing- Looking forward to January to continue what Cathy did. I am hoping everyone already on the committee will continue to stay on. If anyone would like to join, please email me.
- C. Entertainment: Vince & Lynn Luca- We still need a bingo chairperson. Also, we may need a pool party chairperson. We will start working up a preliminary schedule for next year. Until we get clearance from the governor, we will not post the activity schedule.
- D. Storage Yard: Fred Verga- We would like to remind everyone you are only allowed two units per slip. We do not allow BBQ grills and/or trash. Dale and I will be leaving the storage yard after ten years. We have enjoyed our time and would be happy to help whoever takes it over in any way we can.
- E. Pool: Barry King- The pools are now covered and ready for winter. Electrical work has been done on the pool decks, rec center, and clubhouse. Everything is in storage currently.
- F. WI-FI: Barry King- We are still in the process of taking down the antennas. That should be completed within the next couple of weeks. The contractor returned the deposit for installing the new system. We have another year contracted with comcast to keep their modems at the pools. Once that contract is up, we will purchase our own modems, which will save the community in costs.

- G. Nature Conservancy Committee: Mike and Kay Whaley- We had good season. Every bluebird house was occupied this year. We did not see as many of the purple martins due to the late start. All the bird houses have been cleaned out until next year. We have talked about putting up more purple marlin houses in the future. Thank you to the Hawk family for the Butterfly garden, it is very peaceful.

Announcements

**PLEASE SIGN UP FOR EMAIL ANNOUNCEMENTS ON www.AssateaguePointe.com
& JOIN OUR FACEBOOK PAGE FOR ONGOING ANNOUNCEMENTS!**

WE ARE LOOKING FOR SOMEONE TO TAKE OVER THE POSITION AS CHAIRPERSON OF THE BOAT STORAGE YARD! PLEASE CONTACT THE OFFICE IF YOU ARE INTERESTED!

THE ENTERTAINMENT COMMITTEE IS IN NEED OF A BINGO CHAIRPERSON! PLEASE CONTACT VINCE & LYNN LUCA IF YOU ARE INTERESTED!

Open Discussion

Q: Is there an update on the pond algae treatments?

- a) *Yes, we have a proposal coming to do all the ponds this coming year. What they did last year in the main entrance pond, clubhouse pond, and rec center pond worked very well.*

Q: Is there an update on the car break ins?

- a) *The state police patrolled a few nights after the incident, but there has been no information reported to the office since.*

Q: Can we do a reserve study?

- a) *We did one these last two years. We received multiple bids for things that will need to be done around the community. The spread sheet is listed under communications on the website.*

Q: Will we be extending our camera coverage for the pier?

- a) *It has been some time since we have looked into it. We can see what the cost would be to add those.*

Q: Are there plans to make a bocce ball court?

- a) *We think it is a great idea. Possibly by the horseshow pits or McGee park. We will get a price for the installation and maintenance of it. Also, we will look into creating an area for cornhole court.*

Q: When did the storage area change from boat storage to a variety of items?

- a) *About 10 years ago it changed from a boat yard to a storage yard. There are still regulations to abide by. What your storing must fit in the space allotted to you. You are not allowed more than 2 items per slip, BBQ grills, or trash of any kind. We have fined residents for not abiding by the regulations.*

Next Meeting

March 20, 2021 at 9:00 AM, place to be determined.

Motion to adjourn was made at 10:20 a.m. and was passed unanimously.

Recorded by Xanthe Lewis