

White Horse Park Board Meeting

September 21, 2013

Board Members

In attendance: Pat Heath, President; Bob Price, Vice President; Ted Gajewski, Treasurer; Maria Warburton, Secretary; Ed Webb, member

Absent: None

Pat reminded those in attendance of meeting procedures - open forum to be held prior to any votes taken. Comments should be limited to 3 minutes per person if possible.

Park Manager Report

Speed Bumps: – Center three feet of all the speed bumps to be removed for safety reasons. Thought work could be done by park employees but more difficult than anticipated. Received \$6,000 estimate from Chesapeake Paving to do this work as well as add two new speed bumps. The openings will be wide enough to accommodate wheel chairs and strollers - fixing something that was supposed to have been done when roads initially paved.

Tree Trimming: Getting estimates from four companies for tree trimming and removal. To include common ground properties and individual properties. Past newsletter requested owners to contact the office if interested in having tree work done on lot. If put name on the list – should be serious about the work – estimate based on total amount of work – people changing their mind could affect the final price. Question raised about having a dead tree removed on private property - must have owner's permission to remove.

Treasurer's Report - see attached.

Ed - why expenses so high this month? Answer - quarterly electric bill paid

\$30,000 spent for projects - fencing, maintenance buildings, etc. Expenses paid for via operations account – reimbursed fro reserve account at the end of the year.

Report accepted by Board

Committee Reports

Pat – noted:

Marina survey - low survey numbers appears not much total interest. Majority for keeping things as is.

Wi-Fi survey - 109 responses: 91 yes, 18 no

MARINA – Ed Webb

Mid-Atlantic to remobilize on Oct 1. If have a boat on back pier and want to keep in water past Oct 1 - please advise so can relocate to another slip.

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New engineering company - surveyed ramp - no report yet. Starting pier work without waiting for report so as to be done by April.

Still thinking of cutting ramp in half - drop last 16 feet 3 -3 ½ feet in depth. Can be done without dredging canal. Happy with new firm - working on the design of two turnarounds on back pier due to its length. Also planning to remove dogleg on pier to make more room near entrance at gazebo. Might result in loss of 1 -2 slips.

New little shack at marina is complete. \$800 labor. Very well made. Old building leaning and stressing electric lines. Bob Price will oversee remaining work – interior, roof extension, etc.

Handicap hoist planned for end of pier near gazebo/ fish cleaning area. Similar to what is at first slip nearest the shed. To allow someone in a wheelchair to be lifted into a boat.

Marina gate still under consideration – to block late-night access to gazebo and boat slips. Would extend from new shed to boat ramp. Kids observed jumping off gazebo railings, carving initials etc into wood late at night. Guard could still let someone in or out for night fishing or late night return on boat. Would be decorative fence - vandalism seems to be getting worse each year even with the cameras.

Railing along narrow walkway from main walkway to gazebo - still looking into. Probably to be installed by Mid-Atlantic to match other work.

CLUBHOUSE – Linda Zaworski

Thanks to volunteers and for those in attendance at recent events.

Ice cream social this evening

Oct 12 - breakfast, dinner, ice cream social!

Would like more volunteers – email Linda at whpclubhouse@gmail.com

ECC – Sue Gajewski

Three applications submitted in September with many for the year. Thanks to those fixing up property and especially those reaching out and helping neighbors.

Complaints about a property, as well as questions and suggestions for the ECC should go through the office or the ECC rather than through an individual such as a board member. Anonymous complaints will not be looked into.

Can be contacted via: ecccommittee2013@gmail.com

WI-FI – Bob Raymond

Information regarding proposal from Eastern Shore Communications can be found in September newsletter.

Has checked into Mediacom ó several options including

Bundle pricing - 30 residents- \$20-30/month per unit and five year contract.

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Can also install device in clubhouse and rent or buy for about \$100 - \$299/month. Would be accessible at and near the clubhouse

Meeting with RF Works on Tuesday – is the company at Assateague Pointe (AP)

Ed Webb noted that AP has 24 towers with no trees and still has kinks. Also questioned whether a secure system.

Concerned about high usage time. 100 lots might not have accessibility due to location.

See color coded map - three towers cover certain area - high signal. Outlying lots around timberline - maybe 100 lots no wi fi. Meeting with Eastern Shore today at noon.

Pat - biggest concerns: 92 year round households. Doesn't want to make agreement to pay \$25 a month but some get it free. Will it be an amenity of the park or an individual thing?

Ted - initial cost \$13,000. Lot of money for 20% who want it (92 owners responded yes). Plus \$400/month. Ok price - but what if goes up? Will it be split out at some point such as water?

OLD BUSINESS – Pat Heath

Marina hours and gate - still under discussion -

Railing at marina – Mid-Atlantic - can put smaller railway that will blend in.

End of Sept - maintenance bldg. work to start. Completed by mid-October hopefully.

Pat thinks good price for what being done and hopefully lower insurance rates

Walkway fencing – has received lots of comments. Some removed, some falling down. Along pool area-rotting.

Estimate for installing white vinyl fencing.

Not going to put fencing down each walkway - going to mark beginning and end of each along with solar light attached.

Couple complaints about not extending full length but best option.

October last meeting until February. Please bring any issues for consideration to meeting. Board will remain in contact over winter.

Pat young memorial - nice picture from family. Wants to hang that, horse painting and plaque. Would like to have something special when hung - perhaps in spring.

NEW BUSINESS

Skate boarding regulations have been written.

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Two added by Ted - only during daylight hours and not outside gates - i.e. in front of office.

Solar Panels - haven't had time yet to look into. Still want to consider in future. Perhaps committee can be formed.

Clubhouse sound system - would like to look into new sound system. Existing one not working well. Would like input.

OPEN FORUM

Linda Zaworski: wants to comment on Wi-Fi and solar panels.

Wi-Fi - not just for internet. – will have infrastructure in place for future options. Technology constantly changing – Wi-Fi would be here to

Concerned about theft of solar panels. Also - Battery life of panel - how much would it cost to replace?

Tom Milligan Lot 291: Wi-Fi - if internet currently available thru cable company for \$15-25 what is advantage of park-wide Wi-Fi?

Marina work - assessment vs

Slip cost \$400 but boat user without slip only pays \$35. Should consider fee for boat yard storage.

\$160 for cable TV. How much would that go up if include to internet? Pat thinks it could be negotiated but then park takes on responsibility.

Dave Beauregard

Really likes idea of fence at marina. Would like open access in perfect world but lots of money there.

Wi-Fi - infrastructure plus, but individual needs are different. Need to take some responsibilities for own situation. Might be better to go individually

Pat - regarding infrastructure - \$13,000 is only for 8 towers. Assateague Point (AP) = 24. WHP - many more trees Wi-Fi if just in clubhouse would benefit immediate area. Really concerned that AP needed 24 towers and is wide open.

Ed - AP done couple years ago. About 3 feet above light posts.

Pat - might consider more light poles anyway - i.e. Salt Spray.

Greg Landon Lot 146: If using Mediacom for internet, why not go to Mediacom and get group rate. Similar to cable.

Sue - looked into it twice. \$25 - 30 per month per lot for 5 years.

Karen Boon Lot 200: Congratulated Board for public display of congenitally. Also ECC and Clubhouse. Even coffee pre-meeting!

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Bunnie Jenkins Lot 79: How far across would marina gate go? Concerned people might still get around end at bulkhead - needs to overhang a bit.

Speed bumps - when working on - please repaint yellow lines

Barbara Price Lot 212: Subcontracting work - maintenance building, fencing, etc. Can some of this be done by our own maintenance people? Pat - some complicated especially building. Barb - what about fencing Pat - set in concrete

Contract information - should include in minutes. i.e: maintenance building, shed, walkway contract at marina

Cable TV in maintenance shed - had been removed understands it now back in. Why is it needed? Pat - no objection to having it removed.

Marge Webb Lot 216: Wi-Fi- need to keep open mind. Other items in park already pose a big burden on cost and maintenance and adding another burden. Concerned about sporadic coverage at AP.

Tom ????: Cut-out - can it be cut out on one side instead of center - so wheelchairs, stroller, etc don't have to go into center of street

Pat - b/c if cut on side - vehicles will go that way to avoid bump. Center will keep them in the middle of the road.

Recognition of new owner – Lot 398 for a year and half. Parents were owners since 1989

Adjournment

Maria Warburton