

President's Report

June 26, 2020

Although the pandemic is still with us nationwide, daily operations at LH continue. The speed bumps on W.Masters Dr. have been installed and reports from the residents are mostly positive. Cars seem to be slowing down and obeying the speed limit. This ends the program for more stop signs, speed bumps, and no chip-and-tar resurfacing for this year.

Don Cook of Keystone Builders was selected to install fencing at the dog park with a bid of \$28,000. See attached plan and other pricing.

There is a need for increased man power for the beach patrol on weekends. Shifts will be on a rotating basis with employee overtime which will add an annual cost of approximately \$6000. Plans are to continue until Labor Day. Board will discuss this issue.

The plantings at the gatehouse, clubhouse, and entrance wall are about complete for this season. Reactions have been positive. Maintenance and the volunteer garden ladies worked together to make it happen.

Vandalism by LH teens is still problematic throughout the subdivision despite increased patrol. Recent incidents include solar lights smashed, a bicycle thrown in the lake (retrieved), fights in the picnic area, and a fire in a wooded area. The guilty parties have been apprehended by the Frederick County Sheriff's Dept. I have asked Safety Comm. to look at prevention options.

The July fireworks display will be a challenge. LH is now a small town with 950 plus homes. Holiday parking and anticipated large crowds at the event will need to be addressed by the Board. Too many invited guests will add to the congestion. Options for future events need to be addressed, perhaps at a special meeting.

The second mulch giveaway was a success with about the same amount given to the community as the first. That will be the last time since there is little remaining to give away and there are needs in several areas on the disc golf course.

Whether to reopen the Clubhouse for Town Hall meetings, weddings and private events is still an issue. All events are still on hold pending the Governor's guidelines. We should revisit the current policy.

The office is now open on a daily limited basis with appointments required for entry. A notice was sent out to the members last week.

The bathrooms are now open on weekends at Beach I from noon to 5pm. State mandates require cleaning every two hours which is a new expense to the community.

Beach II design plans are still with the County awaiting approval. After the dog park is completed, Beach II will be the next project in the MPC Capital Improvement Plan.