Happy Holidays

Hope everyone has a safe and happy holiday season—and that 2016 brings much happiness into your lives!

These articles catch you up on the happenings since the end of August—specifically the minutes from the fall budget meeting. The budget detail can be found online.

The next Sandscribes will be published in May 2016, but as always, the Web Site will be updated with any news.

Jane & John

Infrastructure Investigation

We received a (very) rough draft just before Thanksgiving of the Feasibility Report that the civil engineering firm OHM has been working on. We expect more answers and a complete report early in the new year. Stay tuned. 😊

Jane Chidester,
President

Dumpster Re-Positioning, Schedule, Locks

Working with our dumpster service, we have re-positioned the dumpster for the off-season months. It is still located in the same area, but re-oriented so the large trucks do not have to back up the steep Pennsylvania hill in the slick winter months. We’ll move it back in the spring so that it is tucked behind the fence and trees for summertime.

We are on an every other Friday pick-up schedule through the winter and early spring months.

The dumpsters are currently locked down—if you need a key contact Jane Chidester.

Community Task List & Beach Maintenance

We are looking for another volunteer to help Jan Peer coordinate the task of sand clean-up. She and the Board will be working together when the warm weather approaches to find solutions to doing this work—and maintaining the condition of the sand in general.

Our wonderful connection over at Mr. Brown’s—property manager Andy—is retiring soon and we will not have access anymore to their incredible help in debris removal.

Septic Tanks with Aeration

It appears that Erie County is implementing a program of inspection and maintenance compliance for septic systems that have mechanical components such as an aeration pump. There are a few cottages here that have such a system, and you may (should) have received a letter about it. (See copies of the letter on the Web Site.)

At this point we have not learned of any new policies on inspections of non-mechanical septic tanks.

Another Sinkhole!

After the heavy rains September 3rd, another sinkhole opened up on our property. A crew from Franklin Sanitation came out to investigate and repair. It turns out that, years ago, the gas line (orange, below) was installed right through the middle of the storm sewer (hence breaking the sewer line). Over the years the soil washed away, until finally the sinkhole formed.
Entrance Area Face Lift

Just wanted to share a few pix from the recent effort to “spruce up” (pun intended :-o) the entrance area.

We have 4 new Canaan Fir trees (2 east and 2 west of the entrance road). Fred Yost helped us find these trees at a special nursery in Wooster that has been developing them for Ohio. They are a Canadian import and cold weather is not a problem for them. These adorable trees have kitten-soft needles and smell like Christmas. Many thanks to Kara & Brice Chidester, Dick Castele & Carolyn Leitch, Barbara Chidester, Mary Chidester, and John & I, who covered this cost.

Finally, John & I spent some weekends taming the wilds in the Rt. 6 entrance bed. The huge grasses were overtaking our beautiful Blue Backeri trees, so we replaced them with a dwarf grass variety, added some decorative rocks, replaced the diseased roses, and added some daisies.

Thank you to Dan Warder who gave the “Heidelberg Beach” sign across the bridge the same look as the Rt. 6 signage—now we are color coordinated!

Hope you enjoy these landscaping updates!

Beach Wedding

Congratulations to Leah Tardivo & Dan Rogan. Leah is the niece of Betsy O’Dougherty (93 Ohio) and Nancy Lukens (94 Ohio). Leah & Dan were married on Saturday, September 12th.

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David & Helen Banaszak Passed Away
Some may still remember David & Helen Banaszak. They were the owners of 68 Kentucky before the Vondriskas. (68 Kentucky is now owned by Aaron Hamilton & Angela Chidester.) They had been living in Warrenton, VA and both died of different ailments on September 11th, 2015.

Minutes for the Heidelberg Beach Board of Trustees Meeting
September 19th, 2015

Present: Jane Chidester (President), Rick Herwerden (VP), Tom Eshelman (Secretary), Dick Castele (Treasurer), Mary Chidester (Real Estate), Bill Richardson, Claudia Springer, Barbara Weber

Absent: Sharon Chidester, Bill Hertzer, Jan Peer, Scott Welch

Phone Guest: Orientation of Heidi McClure to be added to the 64 Kentucky lease.

Opening Prayer: Tom Eshelman

Real Estate: Mary Chidester

Treasurer’s Report: Dick Castele
1. Received construction deposit from Dick Castele.
2. Applied for water billing credits for 2015 leakage – received $609.28.
3. Received $500 donation from parents of the bride for September wedding.
4. Jack Corrigan will audit the books.

New Business:
1. A motion passed (M. Chidester/T. Eshelman) to (i) approve Heidi McClure as a new member; (ii) terminate the existing leases for lots 64, 65 and 65-A Kentucky Road; and (iii) to issue a new 99 year lease for the same lots to Heidi McClure, Jeffrey A. Belmont, Judy A. Destro, Ella M. Davidson, Craig Kessler, Scott A. Kessler, and Linda Miranda.
2. A motion passed (M. Chidester/C. Springer) to terminate the existing lease to Jack W. Kramer, Craig L. Peer and Janet S. Peer for Lots 12, 13 & 14 on Pennsylvania Road and to issue a new 99 year lease to the same lots to Craig L. Peer and Janet S. Peer.
3. Claudia Springer gave a report from CCWW.
   a. A 10-service summer was just completed.
   b. A new lavalier microphone was purchased and paid for by CCWW. One loud-speaker crackles and may be replaced.
4. 2016 Budget.
   a. Dick Castele passed out the proposed budget along with a 9-year listing of historical expenses by category, the plans for tree work in the upcoming winter, and the Schedule of Cash.
   b. Jane will sign snow-plowing and mowing contracts with Harvey Foote. Same fees as last contract.
   c. There will be no increase in Sewer Improvement Fund contributions until the results of the feasibility study are known.
   d. Motion (Castele/J. Chidester) to assign money received from insurance to compensate for destruction of the barn, to pavilion maintenance. It passed 8-0.
   e. Motion (Castele/J. Chidester) to approve budget and keep assessments flat by paying the 2% increase out of unencumbered cash. It passed 8-0.
5. Spring beach cleanup. We can’t count on hauling services from Mr. Brown starting in 2016.

Old Business: Postponed discussion of General Rules pending a draft from J. Chidester.

Next Meeting: Spring of 2016 unless a meeting is needed after the infrastructure upgrade feasibility report is complete.

Respectfully Submitted,
Tom Eshelman
Secretary

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