

Greetings and a Merry Christmas to All!!

Winter has shown its face with about 8 inches of snow on the ground and I hope more to come. Rick and I have collected well over 500 cans of leaves before Mother Nature changed the direction of progress. We have fallen approximately 36 dead, diseased or dying trees this year that were marked by the arborist visit this last summer with many more to go. We are having a constant problem with items being put into the sewer that do not belong and it has caused us to remove the pumps and make repairs 4 times in the last 18 months. This has been happening only at the B&P street lift station serving phase three of the park. Please help by only disposing of toilet paper in the sewer and drains coming from your property or common area facilities. As you might have seen on Facebook we have opened up the troubled flow between the last two ponds and will install a bridge in place over the opening before summer. As I sit here the temperature outside is 8 degrees F making me happy to be inside. Thank you all for your efforts to help keep plastic bags and construction debris out of the limb dumpster, It is appreciated. Just a couple of thoughts : I have seen negative posts on social media and the thought that comes to my mind is LTRVP is an investment for any person who owns property within. LTRVP has a substantial impact to the Cascade community and is a Valley county contributor. My question to anyone who posts something online anywhere is "How does this help your investment? The City of Cascade? Valley county? If it is not productive or helpful maybe you could voice your opinion/questions constructively to the board. I am also here as a park resource to answer questions referring to maintenance as you see me about.

Lets talk about the roads and speed within the park for a moment. There is a posted speed limit for many reasons. Safety in a high density area with poor accommodations for parking on many lots and limited visibility. Our demographics are changing with more families having children moving in and we all know kids can be unpredictable. But lets think for a minute about the mechanics of speed and what it does to the road. Imagine the energy of a tire every time you hit a small bump with the weight of a vehicle behind it, the faster you drive the more energy behind the tire, the more pot holes it creates and the more dust in the summer as it breaks down the surface tension of the road sealer. I ask you to think while you drive and respect your friends and neighbors. Since speed within the park is an ongoing concern the board has elected to install speedbumps throughout the park to help remind drivers to be safe here at LTRVP.

The concrete is poured for the fire pit and the sheds now have concrete ramps along with a concrete pad for the camp host spot.

Merry Christmas to all and I hope to see you in the new year.

Your Caretaker

Bill