



Bobcat Trail

Community Development District

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Welcome back snowbirds

and all that were away this summer

It sure has been a hot summer everywhere. Hopefully everyone enjoyed their summer, whether visiting family and/or friends, vacationing, or just enjoying time at home.



For those that have been away, you will notice that our lakes are full due to the amount of rain we experienced over the summer.

Fall is on its way, and we have some of our favorite events coming up.





FROM THE CDD BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

The CDD Board has been very active during the past several months. We have attended to a number of matters, including the budget and assessment process, roads, lakes, general maintenance, Community Center operation, safety/security and common area landscape maintenance.

While the day-to-day responsibilities of the Board do include important matters, the most compelling issue was to develop, prepare, propose, publish for public review and comment, and pass a budget for the 2011-2012 fiscal year. The CDD Finance Committee, liaison Supervisor Ken Cisewski, together with Severn Trent, worked diligently to prepare and recommend a proposed budget. On August 4, 2011 the Board unanimously approved the budget recommended by the Finance Committee resulting in no increase in the assessment. In addition, the March 2011 audit found that the Bobcat trail CDD is in compliance with all generally accepted accounting principles and all state law requirements.

Despite the fact that the CDD experienced increased expenditures in two specific areas, namely, operational expenses of the Community Center for a full year and the reserve funding for future major expenditures for the Center and, as our community ages, maintenance expenses continue to rise, the Bobcat Trail CDD is in a very strong financial position. This was accomplished by countering the increases by decreasing costs through service contract negotiations, competitive bidding and closely managing ongoing expenditures. For example, the CDD Board, through competitive bidding, awarded the financial auditing contract to McDermit Davis, which resulted in a \$15,000 savings over a three year period. There were also other service contracts that were re-negotiated that resulted in significant savings for the community.

One of the maintenance issues that had to be addressed was an overall review and repair of a number of sidewalk areas that posed a possible danger to the residents using the sidewalks. This was accomplished through sidewalk replacement and grinding areas of concern.

A number of lake renovation projects throughout the community, both residential and commercial, were completed prior to the advent of the "rainy" season under the supervision of Supervisor Clint Parks. These areas and others will be monitored on a regular basis to enable the Board to authorize repairs as needed. We are working on a comprehensive plan to address all lake issues.



The Boulevard renovation and plant replacement projects, under the supervision of Supervisor Lou Robbio, started several months ago were completed during the “rainy” season so as to reduce the irrigation water usage from the Range Lake. Further work on the landscape will be addressed in the near future. We have taken a number of steps to reduce the irrigation water consumption by the CDD, including shutting down the irrigation system for several weeks during the “rainy” season.

The Maintenance Committee, liaison Supervisor Larry Santucci together with Joe Justice, continues to address the daily and ongoing maintenance needs of the community. This committee has also investigated and recommended the addition, repair and replacement of a number of items of pool furniture that will upgrade the current status of the furniture.

The Building /Planning Committee, which has now been renamed and re-defined, (the Infrastructure-Asset Management Committee) has continued to provide services for the overall management of the community assets. The Community Center operations are under the supervision of Supervisor Sandra Burns, with the assistance of the Activity Representative, Jera Stratton. There were a number of very successful events and programs that brought the community together to enjoy good food, music and community along with cards, mahjonn, dominos, Yoga, line dancing, etc.

The Safety Committee, now a part of the newly created Infrastructure-Asset Management Committee, has completed the approved security camera program which proved its worth almost immediately by capturing the images of an individual who rammed the rear gate and allowed the police to pursue criminal charges against the individual and to seek restitution for the damages. The work of this committee continues as the Board investigates improved entry system options.

It is important to note that there continues to be a serious problem with the speed at which visitors (including visiting golfers), vendors, service personnel and residents continue to drive on the roads within this community. The excessive speed endangers residents, golfers and everyone else who uses the roads and sidewalks. The CDD Board has begun to investigate the options available to us to mitigate this problem. We will keep you advised as to our progress.

As a final note, we wish to thank all of the volunteers who have served on any committee, those who voluntarily agreed to assist with planning and conducting community events and those who helped set-up and take-down the tables and chairs in the community center as needed. Without the help of all of those involved, it would be difficult to provide all of the needs of this community. As we have said in the past, we appreciate and thank you for your willingness to serve this community.



Finance Committee

The Finance Committee was established in 2006 and is charged with assisting and making recommendations to the Board regarding various financial issues, including working with other committees and the management company to assemble and submit a proposed annual budget and capital improvement project plan, as well as assisting with the selection and recommending an auditing firm.

This year, the Finance Committee was deeply involved in the preparation of the FY 2012 budget, assisted other committees in developing their respective budgets and capital improvement project cost submissions and to reflect updated financial procedures as it pertains to current practices

The Committee will continue to serve this Board and the Community as it has in the past .



Maintenance Committee

Pool Area:

The pool area was closed for a short time this summer. Efforts to remove some of the stains appearing on the bottom were taken.

New pool furniture (4 new umbrellas, 1 table and two replacements, 4 new dining chairs, and six new chaise lounges) has been purchased and are on order. All of the old existing chairs are being re-strapped.

Just a friendly reminder, residents are asked to please close the umbrellas when they are not in use, or upon leaving the pool area to avoid damage by winds and storms. Your cooperation is greatly appreciated so we can keep our furniture and umbrellas in good condition.



NOTICE OF MEETINGS
BOBCAT TRAIL
COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT

The Board of Supervisors of the Bobcat Trail Community Development District has scheduled their regular meetings for Fiscal Year 2012 at the Bobcat Trail Community Center; 1352 Bobcat Trail Boulevard; North Port, Florida on the first Thursday of each month at 4:00 p.m. with the exceptions as noted below:

October 6, 2011	April 12, 2012 (Second Thursday)
November 3, 2011	May 3, 2012
December 1, 2011	June 7, 2012
January 5, 2012	July 12, 2012 (Second Thursday)
February 2, 2012	August 9, 2012 (Second Thursday)
March 1, 2012	September 6, 2012

A workshop is scheduled for Thursday, November 3, 2011 2:00 p.m. at the Bobcat Trail Community Center.

Various monthly Committee Meetings are scheduled for Fiscal Year 2012 at the Bobcat Trail Community Center as follows:

Infrastructure/Asset Management (BOS)	3 rd Wednesday at 4:00 p.m.
Finance	3 rd Tuesday at 3:00 p.m.

The Maintenance/Pool Committee Meeting will be held on a quarterly basis on the second Monday at 3:00 p.m. as follows:

October 10, 2011	April 9, 2012
January 9, 2012	July 9, 2012

Meetings may be continued to a date and time certain which will be announced at the individual meeting. Committee chairs are responsible for posting notices (CDD bulletin board) and web site notifications of meeting changes, delays, cancellations and/or continuations. Chairs are also responsible for meeting location scheduling (continuations) or notifications (changes, delays or cancellations) prior to any of these actions. There may be occasions when one or more Supervisor will participate by telephone.

Any person requiring special accommodations at these meetings because of a disability or physical impairment should contact the District Office at (954) 753-5841 at least two (2) calendar days prior to the meeting.

Each person who decides to appeal any action taken at these meetings is advised that person will need a record of the proceedings and that accordingly, the person may need to ensure that a verbatim record of the proceedings is made, including the testimony and evidence upon which such appeal is to be based.

Calvin Teague, District Manager

UPCOMING EVENTS

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 5, 2011

The Craft Group will hold their second Ladies Boxed Luncheon at 12:00 p.m. The food will be provided by Jason's and the cost is \$10.00. Details to follow.

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 4, 2011

The CDD will be hosting its second dinner dance of the year. Due to an overwhelming response Gil Nalley of Spotlight Entertainment will be providing music.

Anyone interested on being on the committee for decorations, serving, and clean up should contact Jera at 426-0808 between 9 a.m. and 3 p.m. The committee will have their first meeting Wednesday, September 28 at 10:00 a.m.

This year reservations will be handled differently than in the past. Payments must be made at the time reservations are made. No reservations, or tables, will be held until payment has been received, as in the past, reservations were made up front and then cancelled at the last minute which left many residents unable to attend. Hopefully, this will eliminate this problem.

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 12, 2011

The Book Club will be hosting a Fall Festival at the Community Center. This event will be advertised and open to the public. Bobcat residents are encouraged and will have first choice in renting a booth space before outsiders are admitted. Details will follow in the next few weeks.

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 12, 2012

The CDD will be hosting it's first dinner dance of 2012 on February 12.. Music will again be provided by Gil Nalley of Spotlight Entertainment. Keep this date open as more details will follow in the coming months.



UPCOMING ACTIVITIES

YOGA

Yoga classes will resume Friday September 9, at 9 a.m. to 10:15 a.m. Class charge is \$5.00 per person per class

Our previous instructor Rosemary Slate unfortunately for us will not be returning as she has moved out of state. She was an excellent instructor and will be sadly missed.

However, before Rosemary left she highly recommended to us a yoga instructor Joanne Godfrey. Joanne has been a yoga instructor for approximately ten years at the YMCA. She is certified by the National Exercise Trainers Association, is a registered practicing member of the International Yoga Association, and has completed certification as an Advanced yoga Instructor.

We are very pleased to welcome her into our

Bobcat community.



ZUMBA AND PILATES

Zumba and Pilates will resume, Wednesday, October 5. We are happy to welcome back Carla Peralta as the class instructor.

Zumba will be from 11 a.m. to 12 p.m., Pilates will be from 12 p.m. to 1 p.m. The charge for one class is \$8.00. If both classes are taken on the same day, the charge is \$15.00. If you are planning to join any of these classes, please advise Jera in the office at the Community Center.



The Board of Supervisors on behalf of the residents of Bobcat would like to thank the Wine and Book Club run by Andy Merrill and our librarian Donna Santucci. They hosted a Spring Festival at the Community Center which was a success. Books were sold and the Book Club donated \$100.00 towards the bench that is in the library section. Our thanks again.

Community Center Office



The Community Center **office hours** are from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m., Monday thru Friday for your convenience. You may pick up your FOB during this time and can also make arrangements to reserve a room for meetings, schedule a private event, etc.

A **bulletin board** is on the wall near the office. It will have a monthly schedule of events. Only notices pertaining to events within the Community Center and within our community may be posted there. (Houses for rent or sale, along with events going on outside the community, are not items that will be displayed on the bulletin board).

If you need to send a fax or make a copy that is not confidential, the Community Center will provide this service for you. The cost will be (FAX) \$1.00 per page and (COPIES) \$.15 cents per copy. FOB's are assigned to each individual and are not to be shared with anyone else.

The Community Center has a **library** filled with books for your pleasure and convenience. Donna Santucci is the Librarian. If you have books you would like to donate, please give Donna a call at (941)-423-3065.

Golf cart parking is at the side of the building. Also for your convenience, there is a bicycle rack which is located in the same area. Please do not park your golf carts or bicycles on the lawn or sidewalks or in front of the building on the fire lane, please use designated areas.

Thank you for your cooperation, and we hope you enjoy your Community Center.

Bobcat Trail CDD Board of Supervisors

Activity	Day and Time	Contact Person	Phone
Bible Study	Tuesdays, 12:30 - 1:30 p.m.	Steve Aldrich	429-0989
Book Club	3rd Wed. - Jan., Feb., Mar., Oct., Nov. 3:00 - 5:00 p.m.	Andy Merrill	429-5858
Bridge	Tuesdays 9:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. Tuesdays, 6:30 - 10:00 p.m. Fridays, 8:30 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. First and Third Saturday, 6:30 - 10:00 p.m.	Richard and Clara Peters Richard and Clara Peters Maggie Dunn Richard and Clara Peters	423-3712 423-3712 423-3017 423-3712
Crafts	Wednesdays, 1:00 - 3:00 p.m.	Marge Altonen	429-4019
Line Dancing	Mondays, 6:00 - 7:00 p.m. (Beginners) Mondays, 7:00 - 8:30 p.m. (Higher Beginner)	Carol Huban Carol Huban	429-7488 429-7488
Mahjongg	Wednesday, 9:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.	Linda Muller	423-4187
Mexican Train	First and Third Wednesday, 6:30 - 9:30 p.m.	Linda Muller or Bruce Merrill	423-4187 429-5858
Writing	First and Third Mondays, 10:30 - 11:30 p.m.	Chris Evens	426-5696
Yoga	Fridays 9:00 - 10:15 a.m. (Starting 9/9/11)	Instructor: Joanne Godfrey	
Pilates	Wednesdays 12:00 - 1:00 p.m. (Starting 10/5/11)	Instructor: Carla Peralta	
Zumba	Wednesdays 11:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. (Starting 10/5/11)	Instructor: Carla Peralta	

FOBs

Home owners may pick up his/her FOB with proper paperwork and identification which shows your street address in this community. If your permanent residence is out-of state, please bring with you some evidence of ownership (tax bill, utility bill, etc.) which shows your name and Florida address. FOBS can not be released to you without required identification.

Each individual is assigned a FOB to access the building and fitness room. Each FOB identifies you in the security system. This allows the security system to recognize and record the time, date, and individual entering the building and/or fitness center. Each person should be scanning their own FOB each time they enter the building and/or fitness center. (Two people entering, two FOBs scanned.)

Each person **MUST** use their own FOB each and every time they enter the building and/or fitness center. FOBS **MUST NOT** be shared or used by someone other than the person they are assigned to.

Lost FOBS should be immediately reported to the office or a CDD Board member as soon as possible so the FOB can be disabled.

Thank you for your cooperation in helping keep our facilities safe and secure.

PLEASE NOTE:

THE CDD HAS THE RIGHT TO SUSPEND INDIVIDUAL(S) ACCESS FOR NON-COMPLIANCE WITH CDD POLICIES.



Reminder

To keep our building secure, please do not let people in that do not have their own operable FOBS. Please direct them to visit the office Monday thru Friday, from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.

FITNESS CENTER



The Fitness Center hours are from 6 AM until 10:00 PM.

In order to access the fitness room, you must have signed a fitness waiver which allows you to enter the Fitness Room with your FOB.

EACH person MUST scan their FOB prior to entry. FOBS are NOT to be loaned or shared. If you have picked up your FOB, but have not signed up for the Fitness Room and wish to do so, just stop by the office and fill out the required form.

Guests MUST have their own FOB. NO guests are allowed to use the equipment unless they have obtained a FOB in their own name. Guests are defined as only those individuals visiting and residing in the home of a Bobcat resident or renter. The guest will be allowed to use the Fitness Room for a defined period of time.

No one under 15 years of age is permitted to use the fitness equipment. Those between 15 and 17 must be trained on the equipment, have all applicable waivers signed by a parent or guardian, and have a FOB of their own. With proper paperwork, identification, and a non-refundable fee of \$25.00, additional permanent resident FOBS may be obtained at the office from 9-3, M-F.

In addition, if you have a chronic illness, such as heart disease, pulmonary problems, skeletal and/or muscular problems, please provide a statement from your doctor that you are able to use any exercise equipment without supervision.

Please do not attempt to change the channels on any TV or adjust the volume as they are preset and it will interfere with the headsets and may disrupt others using the fitness room. You will need to bring your own earphones if you wish to hear the TV. They plug directly into the equipment, and you can then control which TV you wish to hear. No open containers are permitted in the fitness room. Only water is permitted in water bottles or cups with lids. This will help prevent spills on the machines so they are not damaged. Please turn out the lights if you are leaving and the last one in the building.

Please read the Fitness Room guidelines that are posted on the Bulletin Board. Please adhere to the posted policies.

BOBCAT COMMUNITY CENTER



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CUSTODIAN OF PUBLIC RECORDS

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NOTICE:

Under Florida law, email addresses are public records. If you do not want your email address released to a public records request, do not send electronic mail to this entity or provide your email address to it. Instead, contact this office by telephone or in writing. Effective March 19, 2007.