2020 - Summer Edition

Whew! What A Hot & Busy Summer

It has been a hot and busy Summer here in our community and I'm sure everyone is looking forward to a reprieve from the heat (I know I am). Lots of great stuff is being both accomplished and planned in Buena Vista... read on to get caught up on the latest news.

Community Picnics - On Hold

As you know we were unable to have our Spring Picnic due to the Pandemic. Given the current situation we will not host the Fall Picnic as well. I look forward to picnics resuming in the Spring provided things improve.

Buena Vista POA – Summer Board Meeting

The Buena Vista POA Board met Tuesday, August 4 Following were the topics of discussion:

PEC Power Upgrades in Buena Vista

See Page 2 of this Newsletter for details

Buena Vista Entrance Project

See Page 1 of this Newsletter for details

Parks

Transition to Boat Ramp Key-Lock System is complete, POA Member keys assigned and distributed. 2020-21 Park Priorities (see Buena Vista Parks Update)

Buena Vista Water System

Board Approval obtained to schedule August 29 Buena Vista Water System Meeting with POA Members. See Page 2 of this Newsletter for details

Financial Update

Financial Summary provided by Treasurer
Fall Board Meeting

The Buena Vista POA Board will meet November 15, 2020

Buena Vista POA Board Priorities Update

Quarterly Newsletters

Published Spring, Summer, Fall, Winter

Entrance Project / Parks Projects

Nearing Completion / Planning In-Progress

Connecting & Outreach with Your Community

See "Community News & Updates" on Page 2 of this Newsletter for details.

Aligning & Collaborating with other Inks Lake POAs

Outreach has begun, more info to come Fall 2020

Saving You Money

Property Tax @ CutMyTaxes.com Negotiated \$25/Month Trash Service w/RTS... FYI, RTS agreed to pick up our Park Trash at "No Charge"

"Spotlight" On 2020

Buena Vista Entrance Update

Sharon Barclay, Entrance Committee Chair has done an excellent job spearheading this project... and it shows!!!

There is still time to donate to the "Adopt-A-Plant" Fund!

If you wish to donate, contact Sharon Barclay at:

Sharon@BarclayFamily.org

Phase 1 - Complete!!!

Concrete curbs, removing asphalt and dirt, installing railroad ties for exterior border and moving mailboxes

Phase 2 – Complete!!!

Buena Vista Community Sign and Lighting

Phase 3 - Nearing Completion!!!

Water faucet and irrigation installed on West side of entrance, East side pending completion.

Xeriscape plants, additional landscaping such as rock, mulch and decorative elements have been installed.

Additional plantings and Xeriscape will continue during the coming months.

Phase 4 – Not Yet Started

County will resurface road with chip-and-seal asphalt

Buena Vista Community T-Shirts

Our Community T-Shirts have been a great success!!!

There are still a few XL shirts available...

email bvpoacom@yahoo.com to reserve yours today! Proceeds benefit the Community Entrance Project.

Buena Vista Parks Update

2020-21 Park Priorities include the following initiatives:

- New Signage: Design is underway for new signage at both Park 1 & Park 2. New signs will include park name, and rules such as swimming at own risk, burning, dumping, trespassing, etc.
- Renaming Park 1: At the last Annual POA Meeting a motion was made and seconded to name Park 1 in honor of "Jeet" Mathews. The vote passed unanimously. Signage will include new name.
- Refurbish Park 2 Pavilion: Planning is underway.
- Ongoing Maintenance: Bids are being gathered to place both parks and the entrance under an annual maintenance contract.
- Negotiated with RTS to pick up park trash at "No Charge". <u>Please</u> support RTS for your trash pickup... Contact Tiffany Martin on 512-265-4127.

Community News & Updates

ESD #2 & Cassie Volunteer Fire Department Unclaimed Sales Tax – Please Vote 11/3/20

Attached to this Newsletter email is a mailer that went to all registered voters (Word and PDF format). Please read the mailer and familiarize yourself with the proposition to secure <u>UNCLAIMED SALES TAX</u> for <u>OUR</u> Emergency Service District #2 and Cassie Volunteer Fire Department. Voting for this important initiative will occur during the General Election held on Tuesday, November 3, 2020.

Inks Lake Outfitters Website

Several of you may be aware of the following website: http://inkslakeoutfitters.com/ which is promoting a proposed new development "Inks Island Campground" located on the peninsula across from Willows Drive.

I reached out to Tim Bradle, LCRA Surface Water Supervisor notifying him of the website and inquiring about LCRA's approval status of this project. Mr. Bradle responded that "LCRA is aware of this website, but this project has not been approved, nor has any development commenced. The property owner has been notified that, as the website illustrates, some elements of this possible project would require a marina permit from LCRA. At this time, LCRA has not been contacted by the owner regarding this project, nor have they received any permit application."

I have asked Mr. Bradle to keep me updated on this project such as permit applications, etc. I will update you when I receive additional information from the LCRA.

PEC Upgrades Occurring in Buena Vista

Pedernales Electric Cooperative (PEC) is currently in the process of rebuilding our overhead electric lines throughout the Buena Vista Neighborhood. All work and restoration will be the responsibility of PEC with no cost to you. PEC is performing this work to help improve reliability throughout Buena Vista Neighborhood. Design and construction for this project will be completed in stages over the 12-18 months. PEC work will include replacing poles and transferring all overhead and underground services from the old poles to the new ones. Locates will be called prior to any digging, but PEC will need property owners to locate any private owned facilities that are not part of diggers hotline. There will be a brief power outage while PEC transfers services from the old lines to the new ones. You will be contacted prior to the scheduled outage so you can plan accordingly. If you have any questions or concerns about the project, please call Brad Noack at 830-454-3520.

Buena Vista Water System Update

POA Members met both in person and virtually via Zoom on Saturday, August 29 from 2:00 PM – 4:00 PM. Central States and Corix presenters did a great job providing an overview of their proposed plans for providing quality, reliable water to our community and answering attendee questions. Both Central States and Corix Presentations are attached to this Newsletter email.

In addition, Buena Vista Legal Counsel, Roger Borgelt attended the meeting and provided a brief history of the lawsuit including interested parties, current status and next steps in the process including:

- Brief Background/History
- Interested Parties in Suit
 - Attorney General/Receiver
 - Buena Vista POA Members
 - "Former" Owner Buena Vista Water System

Outside of The Suit

- Prospective Buyers
- Where we are in the process
 - Negotiating Agreed Judgment/Settlement
- Next Steps
 - POA Members hear prospective buyer proposals and vote on preference
 - POA Members decision is communicated to everyone above
 - Negotiations proceed OR Judicial determination

Immediately following the presentations and question/answer sessions POA Members (in person and via Zoom) voted their preference based on proposed plans of both Central States and Corix. The results of the POA Member vote was 98% Corix / 2% Central States. I instructed Roger Borgelt, our legal counsel to notify the Receiver/Attorney General of the results on Monday, August 31. Although the POA Membership decision is not the final determining factor in resolution of the lawsuit, our legal counsel will petition interested parties of the Buena Vista POA Members preference in resolution.

All the Best to You, Your Family & Friends

HAPPY

Labor Day

Kind Regards, 7im Hightower

President, Buena Vista POA