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EVENTS OF INTEREST TO ALL RESIDENTS

WHAT: ANNUAL MEETING
WHEN: Thursday, June 25, 2020, 10AM
WHERE: Assembly Room

WHAT: Working Board Meeting
WHEN: Thursday, June 25, 2020, immediately following adjournment of the Annual Meeting
WHERE: Assembly Room

WHAT: Independence Day Staff Holiday
WHEN: Friday, July 3, 2020, Offices Closed

WHAT: Open Board Meeting
WHEN: July 6, 2020
WHERE: Assembly Room



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OPEN BOARD HIGHLIGHTS FROM JUNE 1, 2020

The *Voice* publishes highlights of the Open Board Meeting before final approval. The official minutes of the June 1, 2020, meeting will be approved at the July 6, 2020, Open Board Meeting and will be available to homeowners shortly thereafter.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

On the motion of **Director Jones** and seconded by **Director Bueling** the Board approved the Open Board Minutes of May 4, 2020.

SUMMARY OF EXECUTIVE SESSION

The Board met in Executive Session following adjournment of the May 4, 2020, Open Board Meeting to discuss one violation, a request for reduction in fines, and a towing order.

CHAIR COMMENTS

Director Vandermeulen - Good morning to all of you. There is a new County Health order out and it eases some of the restrictions. I am not sure I am ready for restaurants although it would be a treat. But I am looking to walk on the promenade in Ventura very soon now that parking lots are open at partial capacity. A couple of items that affect Leisure Village will be discussed today. One item that was not in the Order is the rule for gathering. Remember it was originally set at 10 people or less each at least 6' apart. Then it went to no gathering. I have an email in to Supervisor Long's office to see if we can get some guidance on the intent of the number of persons allowed to gather still maintaining the 6' social distancing. With the opening of beaches and restaurants I was hoping for

some increase in the number allowed to gather in everyday conditions.

Speaking of social distancing - I still keep hearing that the social distancing of at least 6' is as important as wearing masks around others if not more important. I still see many residents walking closer than 6' on the sidewalks and golf course. Please remember to keep that 6' distance for the wellbeing of all who live here. And a huge thank you to all of you who do social distance.

I usually ignore criticisms I read on Next Door, but one did bother me last weekend. It had to do with typos in the *Village Voice* and other criticisms. With that being said, I want to give a big Thank You to **Carol Henderson** our Executive Assistant. She transcribes all the verbiage from our meetings even when it is hard to hear every word spoken, types everything herself, and proof reads it in a very small amount of allowed time. Then each Board member has a chance to proof read it. Sometimes computer typos are missed. Mainly, this is not sent out to be typed or proof read by a company or committee. But, if anyone would like to form a committee for this purpose, **Carol** would be happy to pass it along. I just know that **Carol** is a great asset and source of knowledge that we depend on every day.

Lastly, I want to remind you that currently there are no guests allowed around the Recreation Center and the golf course. That includes friends, relatives and grandchildren. We know this is difficult. I still remember bringing my children to visit my mom and how little there was for them to do here. But, right now, with more areas opening and more people around in the same places we want to be extra cautious in order to keep our residents healthy. The Board will let you

know when this changes and you can allow guests.

BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS

Director Jones – When I first joined the Board the main issues were the Paint Project and keeping assessment increases to an acceptable level. None of us sitting here today envisioned what we are dealing with now. After having to make a very painful decision to close our wonderful recreational facilities we are now faced with how to re-open these same facilities. The latest Ventura County Health Order says that swimming pools in associations can be opened but with a very long list of restrictions. I believe that our General Manager is going to address these in his remarks so I will not go into them here, except to say that re-opening our pool is going to be very expensive. As soon as the order was released, I started doing some estimates. My best guess based on what we know right now is we should expect to spend an additional \$18,000 per month to open the pool plus an additional \$7,000 per month when we are allowed to open the Fitness Center. The Health Orders are expected to be in effect for another couple of months so we will need to increase this year's budget by at least \$100,000. When that time comes, I will support a Board motion to spend that amount. This additional spending will not, and I repeat will not, require an increase in our current assessments. There is another major budget buster looming in the near future – the change in how our trash is collected. Harrison has informed us that they will stop emptying our trash vaults. How our trash will be stored and collected will be decided in the coming months. When this change will take place is probably months away. On our agenda today we will begin discussing the initial analysis of the problem by the Architectural Committee. The cost of eliminating the in-ground vaults and

providing other trash storage areas is unknown but could be very expensive. As the project moves forward, I will keep you advised as to the potential cost and how we will pay for it. As always you are always welcome to call or email me with any questions regarding these issues or any other issues.

Director Mayer – I would like to thank you **Director Vandermeulen** for the kind words – we can't say enough about our friend and associate **Carol Henderson** and how hard she works on our behalf. Your remarks about bringing children in as guests – it is very important especially with small children that someone have their eye on them at all times. Twice in the last month I have seen pre-school age children, some of them on little tricycles and small bicycles out playing unsupervised. Welcome them but please have some adult have them in their vision.

First off – thanks to the Health Officers of Ventura County and the City of Camarillo for taking the extra restrictions away from those of us over 70. As I mentioned in last month's opening remarks, we have a healthy lot of folks here in the Village among our population of 3000 plus. This is not to suggest that we do not have to be cautious now as well as in our everyday lives. With the years comes an extra need to be cautious and careful. Thanks to my neighbors, "the Villagers", for doing so on a daily basis.

We will hear from the General Manager later about the swimming pool, so I will just skip over the details now, but add that overall condo association governed properties are now legally allowed to re-open their pools. But it is not that simple...stay tuned for the details.

Once again voices have been heard asking why we pay the same assessments while

being deprived of the use of some amenities. It is really very simple – the restrictions against use of them are mandated by City and County officials. But it costs the Village the same to take care of them, keep them sanitary and clean, and perform almost the same maintenance on them. I will bet most of you already knew that. We don't sell the service to Villagers who like to swim. ALL members of the Association share the cost of providing a swimming pool and other recreation equipment.

New trash pickup regulations? Egad! What EVER will we do now? Well, first of all it is the doings of E. J. Harrison & Sons. They are a monopoly; a highly regulated one. Send them your questions and comments – they say they welcome feedback. I think we should have a Town Hall Meeting and have Mr. Harrison explain it all to us. We could have a question period as well – but please be polite. I am not kidding.

Someone asked our prospective Board candidates why we could not have the same assessment for a couple of years. Look at it this way. How many of you have been going to a favorite restaurant for at least five years? Do the same dishes cost the same today? Did most of you include inflation when you thought about future plans and budget expenses ten years ago? Just asking.

OK, you have all seen Candidates' Night. Some of you have come down to the Rec Center Courtyard to read their resumes and goal statements.

Now....hmmmmmm...what's next? Oh yeah – VOTE. Get your so-called Absentee Ballot into the box at the Rec Center or the one at the Association Office. Our Annual Meeting in June may have to be like this one – watchable on LVTv 1390. We will be counting ballots, announcing winners, and

holding an investiture and officer elections immediately following adjournment of the meeting at a Working Board Meeting. Be there!

Director Guttman – I would like to call the viewers' and residents' attention to a booklet which I believe all the residents of Leisure Village have received. It is published by the Camarillo Health Care District, and it is called *Healthy Attitudes, Special Edition 2020*. It details the way in which the Camarillo Health Care District is servicing the residents of Ventura County. One of their programs is home-delivered meals. Health and safety, of course, is one of their top priorities. They do home-delivered meals where the procedure has been modified during the Covid-19 crisis. They have drivers who are now wearing gloves and masks. They do a meal delivery service, and when the driver arrives at the home, they call the resident's telephone, place the food at the door, and then step back and wait while the door is being answered. For those folks who have difficulty lifting heavier packages, upon request, the food delivery can be placed into multiple bags in order to lighten the load. The drivers are not permitted to enter the home. This program is now servicing 225 residences of Ventura County and with more than 4000 home-delivered meals each month. If residents of Leisure Village are interested in this Senior Nutrition Program there is a person who is the Senior Nutrition Coordinator. Her name is **Jennifer Young** and she can be reached at 805-388-1952, Extension 168. If you are computer savvy, she can also be reached at jennifery@camhealth.com. So, there are home-delivered meals available.

I probably should not editorialize, but I am going to take just a moment of time to do that. We have all watched some TV in the last couple of days. It is not an overstatement to

say that the World faces a crisis – not only the World but the United States. Under these type of crisis conditions, I believe we all have an obligation to step up and make a difference. This is a great country. We, especially in Leisure Village, are blessed to have circumstances where we have a gated and guarded community. There are many places as we have seen on the TV news where that is not the case. I would like to remind you to not be misguided. The people who are looting, burning and painting graffiti in LA and elsewhere – please do not let this color your thinking about people of another ethnicity or race. Looters are criminals and they come in all colors. Peaceful demonstrators on the other hand have a right to be heard and are exercising their right of free speech as we do here. Looters are criminals. God bless the United States and all of the people who are trying so hard to serve others.

Director Bueling - Amen to that **Director Guttman.** Good morning to my fellow board members and to everyone in the Village watching on TV. I hope you are staying safe and taking care of yourself and protecting yourself from all of the bad going on around us.

Last Tuesday, I started out the week by going up to Ventura College West Parking Lot to get a free COVID-19 test. I don't have any symptoms and haven't had any. I've been careful of who I'm around and where I go, but I haven't been a total hermit either. The main purpose of me getting a test was to add to the database which I hope will help Ventura County move along towards opening back up carefully. I got a call Friday morning to let me know my test was negative as I expected. This was the nasal swab test to verify an active case of COVID-19 and was not the antibody test to tell if I had encountered COVID-19 in the past. The testing was held

in Ventura, Santa Paula and Moorpark. I sat in line in my car for about a half hour. I only had to present an ID. It was painless and only slightly irritating to do the swab which was self-administered.

I looked at vcemergency.com this morning and it looks like drive-up testing is still available Monday through Friday from 10am to 7pm. No appointment or insurance is needed.

The word is out that the County Health Office says that we may open the pool under very specific conditions. Due to these conditions and for legal protection we need to develop a plan and specific rules before we can do so. Some of you out there may not know that insurance often has exemptions to injury due to viruses so we have to be even more careful with how we open up. I would also like to look at limited opening of the fitness center, the wood shop, the ceramics/pottery shop and the lapidary shop. These also will require specific rules and a plan. The Community Association Institute (CAI), which we belong to, put on a very informative webinar on the 28th that several of us on the board and staff listened to. I want to pursue those ideas and open things up - carefully. We need to develop these plans during an open meeting. We have a requirement to publish our agenda a certain amount of time prior to the meeting. We didn't have enough time to get the discussion on the agenda to officially discuss it during this meeting.

Director Vandermeulen – I would like to add to that regarding the Fitness Center we will have to wait until we get permission from the County to do that. We will be working on our plan so we will be ready when we can do that. We will be discussing this during a Working Board Meeting in the near future.

GENERAL MANAGER COMMENTS

First, I would like permission to work with our law firm to create a plan for reopening the pool. We have to be very careful as there are huge liabilities involved and strict requirements by the County on how you can open the pool. We will have to hire a pool monitor if the Board deems this is necessary. I don't know any other way to do it. There has to be a reservation system in place. We can only allow so many people in the pool at a time. There can be no sunbathing just swimming or exercising in the water. The showers will be closed; the toilets and sinks will be open and those have to be sanitized on a regular basis. We have to submit a plan to the County on how we intend to re-open and the County has the right to come in and inspect to make sure we are following the procedures that we have put in place. I sent the Board some preliminary information from our attorney for discussion in the near future. I need a little bit of time to put this together so as soon as I am ready and we can do the four-day posting I think we need to do a working Board meeting to sit down and discuss this. We can have the attorney on the phone if you want her available to answer questions or we can call her after the meeting. It would be nice to wrap it up in one meeting if everyone agrees. Like **Director Jones** said, we are going to have to hire some extra people. You will have to have someone at the gate checking people in. There will have to be a reservation system as only 10 people at a time can be in the pool. There will not be any furniture. Just the deck and pool. Everything has to be sanitized after each group leaves. The spa can open but only one person at a time can be in the spa. These are County regulations. So, if you are OK with this just give me verbal permission, and I will go forward with having a plan put together which I will send to you as soon as I receive it and set up a Working Board Meeting.

There also has to be some emergency rules put in place at the same time so we can enforce the social distancing and the other procedures. Otherwise we have to call the Sheriff's Department if we don't have emergency rules.

I spoke about Harrison last month. What is in place is bag fees for extra bags. There were comments sent in to *eNews* about this and it sounds like people think all bags are \$5 each and they are not – it is extra bags. You can still fill up your can. Then, it is \$10 for green waste. This is not a green waste route. As **Director Jones** said there is a lot to the trash can issue. The first thing is it is about \$90,000 for the trash cans that we have to pay for. I am trying to get a meeting with Harrison but have not had much luck. I will continue to work on that so we can meet with them directly to make sure we are all on the same page. Some of the items on the list got skewed a little bit, but once they decide they are no longer going to do in-ground trash cans it will take 6 months to get barrels, etc. Meanwhile the Architectural Committee is working on a plan for storage other than the garage, which may not be a good idea. We had a homeowner who had a company come out that caught a 3-pound rat, 3 pounds.

Decaling will be rescheduled in the future because of the virus. We will give you plenty of notice of the re-decating. Meanwhile, the present decals are good until re-decating takes place. Don't panic on not having a brand new decal. Again, we mentioned this at the last Board meeting.

Also, I had a call about the east gate not opening until 7:15AM. On weekends they open at 7:00AM. We are having a staffing problem; meanwhile we are working on it. But on weekends it is open at 7:00AM.

If you walk by the ballot box every now and then you will see some blue envelopes in there. Ballots submitted that way will not be counted. The ballot must be placed in the blue envelope and the blue envelope placed in the white envelope with your name, address and signature on the white envelope or it will not be accepted. Please put them in the envelopes correctly.

Director Vandermeulen talked about no guests. That is just in the common area facilities. No guests are allowed in any of the common area facilities.

We have a power outage coming up on June 8, 2020, from 1:00AM to 3:00AM. It is for the entire Village. It is called a "bird switch" if anyone cares. It is an underground transformer. The nearest switch is at Village 32 and the work will be done by Hampton Tedder Electric. They are notorious for canceling these, so if they do we will try to get the word out as soon as we can.

ADVISORY COMMITTEE REPORTS

Architectural Committee, Chair Rick Wilkman, read by Director Bueling - Modified Architectural Permit Application Procedure

This procedure is posted on the website immediately following the Architectural Permit Form.

Keeping in mind the health and safety of staff, volunteers and residents, the Architectural Committee is processing homeowner permit applications remotely without personal contact.

Applications are reviewed the first and third Friday of each month as usual with the following change in procedure:

1. Residents can obtain an Architectural Permit Application on-line at leisurevillage.org.
2. Fill out the top portion of the permit, then sign and date the form. Skip 'page numbers', 'waiver required' or 'irrigation required'.
3. Attach all supporting documentation for the work proposed.
4. There is a fee for the permit. Please call either Don Marquardt (805-419-4590) or Rick Wilkman (805-419-6461) to obtain the charge for the permit.
5. Make your check payable to Leisure Village Association and attach it to your paperwork.
6. Place everything in an envelope and write on the front: Attention Michelle.
7. Bring the envelope to the Association Office and place it in the black box located to the right of the front door.

You can bring your paperwork to the Association Office a few days before the 1st or 3rd Friday of the month. Please keep in mind that because of limited staff in the office each day, the process may take a few days longer than usual. Association staff will call you if there a question concerning your permit.

If you have an emergency situation that involves a health or safety issue, you do not have to wait for the first or third Friday. Follow all steps above, but write on the envelope: Attention Michelle: Emergency Processing Requested.

We will do our best to handle these requests as quickly as possible. This procedure will stay in place until the Architectural Committee can begin meeting as a group.

Ed & Rec, Chair, Carol Moody, reported by the General Manager – I sent Carol

Moody a request from a company wanting to do the Covid-19 anti-body testing for Medicare for free. She is working on this. We will let you know as soon as we know something. I just got it Friday.

HOMEOWNER/RESIDENT
CORRESPONDENCE – read by
Director Mayer

Patrick Price, V. 43 – Is it possible to seal the stucco with a sealant without adding a color to the sealant?

Catherine Hines, V. (1) Now is a good time to have the restrooms cleaned by a company that specializes in cleaning of tile and granite. (2) The wooden doors in the women's locker room are in need of repair. Now is a good time to get them repaired. (3) Request that sprinklers be set for later at night. (*Note: See discussion in right-hand column, this page.*)

Janet Kessler, V. 5 – Suggestion to freeze food waste in small plastic bags during the week prior to putting them in your trash vault fresh.

Raymond Hickman, V. 41 – reminder that all residents can have their door keys in possession of Security if they wish. If you wish to do this call **Tabatha Puga** in the Association Office.

Diane Dillon, V. 18, I would like to see termite inspections required at least once a year.

Director Mayer – I have a question for the General Manager. I understand that termite infestation can easily spread especially in a multi-unit dwelling but can they infect an adjacent dwelling that is not connected?

Bob Scheaffer – If you see a little creatures flying around with wings on them, they are

swarmers. Every year they blossom and fly to a certain area, dig in and start chomping. Even if you would tent a building which is a burden usually they locally treat. When you build a brand new house it already has termites in it. They get into the wood at the lumber yard. I have heard this a thousand times. When they bring wood out for a project it already has termites in it. I am not a termite inspector but I just know from experience that whenever you open something you will find termite damage whether it be subterranean, flying or multiple types of termites.

Director Vandermeulen – Mr. Scheaffer could you explain how long it takes to run our sprinkler system.

Bob Scheaffer – We do the flower beds during the day and the grass at night. They come on three times for two minutes. It takes 12-14 hours to water. It takes 24 hours to water everything once with the beds and the grass. If they see water running on both sides of the street on different loops they jump it around and sometimes it is across the street from each other. You cannot run two loops on the same controller, It is all computerized. We can look at that specific area and maybe change the timing. It is very difficult to keep track of all this and get everything watered in one evening.

Director Vandermeulen – That is what I wanted to get out; that this is not an easy change. That this is a very complicated issue and it takes time to get through the entire cycle.

ACTION ITEMS
CONSENT CALENDAR

Read and File: - None

Appointment of Volunteers: None

Acceptance of Resignations: None

ACTION ITEMS – UNFINISHED **BUSINESS**

Director Vandermeulen – Status of the 2020 Paint Project and status of the meeting with the colorist. **Bob** what is the status of our being able to meet with the colorist, a video conference, etc.

Bob Scheaffer – I think we could do a Zoom meeting with her or something of that nature if you want to start that process. I wouldn't expect her to drive up here. We can at least get the ball rolling and when everyone is comfortable we can meet with her personally.

Director Vandermeulen – Maybe we can have a second Working Board Meeting to decide what type of changes we want to introduce and look at.

Bob Schaffer – Let's put in on an agenda for a Working Board Meeting and I will talk to her and get some dates that are good for her. You probably want to discuss this with her in a Working Board Meeting.

Director Vandermeulen – Yes, but I also want to consider putting together a meeting of just the Board to put those questions together that we want to ask her so we have some goals for her to work toward.

Bob Scheaffer – Well you can do that at the next Working Board Meeting.

Director Vandermeulen – Yes, if it does not take too long.

Director Mayer – Being an advocate for modern technology I am learning more and more and experiencing the process of multiple skype calls and Zoom calls that we can actually have in place of a conference call with each other. We can actually to a Working Board Meeting if it was a simple

agenda using the Zoom process. And, in terms of the colorist who is in Long Beach we could do a video conference. The thing working in our favor is that the color samples are available to both of us. For example, if we pick colors that we feel should be alternates we can get the chips at the local store and give her the numbers and we can be looking at the exact same colors without having to depend on the untrustworthy color that the Zoom might pick up. I think we could do that to our benefit. I know **Director Guttman** has used it as well as myself and **Director Bueling**.

Director Vandermeulen – We just have to make sure if we have a Zoom meeting it can be televised to all the members.

Director Mayer – Oh yes, I just spoke with **Mark Smith**, our Head Video Technician, and he did run a test on his laptop which would be the mother computer on this project which could be plugged directly into our LVTV input and the whole Village would get picture and sound.

Director Guttman – I think the Paint Project should be on the next Open Board Meeting agenda. There are a lot of vagaries. Like **Director Mayer** I have had significant experience with Zoom and you are at the mercy of your TV set color and there is no replacement for an in-person visit from the colorist and an opportunity for our residents to actually see the color chips. I would like to see this Paint Project placed on the next Open Board Meeting agenda.

Director Vandermeulen – For what I am thinking about we will not be at that point yet. We are not talking about picking colors; we are talking about what colors we would like to see go to a different tone, which colors do we want to change out, and what color do we want to change it to. Giving her direction on

tweaking the colors or what we would like to do with the colors not necessarily picking colors but giving her direction on what colors to look at to bring back to us. That way, when we do get colors coming back to us that would be the time to have an Open Board Meeting.

Director Mayer – I was suggesting the Zoom meeting being done after our decision as to how we wanted to amend the current choice of colors. Definitely having the color swatches live in the room amongst us would be viable for that. Once that is done and we know where we are coming from to communicate with the colorist we could, in advance, give her the color numbers and she would be able to pull the color chips from her supply. They would match what we get from the local source and we would not have to worry about the negative color on a Zoom meeting.

Director Vandermeulen - I understand what you are saying, but I am not planning on going into color choices.

Director Mayer – I absolutely agree with you, and I am also in favor of a Working Board Meeting, run however you wish to run it, for us to work out procedure and what we wish to request of her and what possibilities we wish to discuss with her but first we do it live.

Director Vandermeulen – The first step is a live Working Board Meeting to discuss the plans and what we want to direct her to do.

Director Jones – That is exactly what we should be doing and we should schedule that soon as we need that meeting to discuss the opening of the swimming pool, the emergency rules and the procedures we are going to put in place.

Director Vandermeulen – OK we will schedule that at the end of the meeting or after the meeting.

Director Vandermeulen – The next item is discussion of the Architectural Committee consideration of potential plans for outdoor trash storage.

Director Bueling - The Architectural Committee formed a sub-committee and they have been looking at it hard already. They have some ideas. From the Architectural Committee I have this report so far. The Architectural Committee formed a sub-committee to determine what to do with trash carts once Harrison stops pulling trash from the in-ground vaults. A sample of each model home was visited to consider possible trash cart locations. Our preliminary observations are as follows:

1. Locate carts in the garage where possible. We need to consider some homeowners who may not have room for trash carts or object to possible odors emanating from the trash carts.
2. Locate trash carts in an enclosed patio area. An issue of odor problems with the addition of moving the carts to the street for pick up may be a concern for some homeowners.
3. Locate carts in residential garden beds close to garage door or sidewalk installing either a concrete pad or concrete pavers over a sand base to accommodate the carts and build sight barriers around the carts to screen them from view. For garden bed locations irrigation line relocation needs to be considered. Need to involve homeowner when involving red stake garden bed.
4. Locate carts in the common area by the street. With homes that are three and four attached units middle units

may not have the flexibility to install an area in a residential garden bed. If there is no other alternative available a section of common area turf grass by the street or garage area driveway can be removed and that area used to store the trash carts. An enclosed sight barrier to screen the carts from view would be built. Location or irrigation, electrical, phone and cable service line locations need to be addressed.

5. Future Planning: To more effectively plan for trash cart location the subcommittee recommends determining with Harrison the size options that will be available for trash recycling carts. If homeowners are given an option on size they may be able to store the trash carts in the garage by using smaller sizes. Negotiating for weekly recycling may make it more likely. Homeowners will opt for smaller recycle trash carts that can be stored in the garage.

Director Vandermeulen – Currently I believe that each homeowner has the recycle container and if we don't get the service for the green waste then we would only be getting one new trash container for each household; is that correct?

Director Scheaffer – I don't know how many people have the recycle container.

Director Vandermeulen – You don't think everyone has the recycle container?

Bob Scheaffer – No.

Director Mayer – They are optional.

Director Vandermeulen – OK. Would that still be optional?

Bob Scheaffer – Yes. People are taking their recyclables and putting it in the trash. They have to separate it. That is not the issue. The green waste is the issue because it goes to a different facility, and when they dump it on the ground and there is trash in it they have to haul it back to the other facility and it becomes a huge, huge issue. The problem over the years is people putting trash with their green waste. We used to pick it up but our guys had to crawl into dumpsters and clean them out once they dump the bag into it.

Director Vandermeulen – So when they mow the lawns as long as they only put green waste in the bins that is OK?

Director Scheaffer – Yes, if it is just leaves, etc., they will pick that up.

Director Bueling – As far as a long-term plan I think we need to set aside for every house a spot for three containers. The current owner may not have but one container; however, in the long term someday a future owner will have three containers. I think we need to consider this.

Bob Scheaffer – The other issue is that you can only get 96-gallon containers for green waste. There is nothing smaller than that. You can get the 32 gallon for trash and recycle but the green waste is only 96 gallon.

Director Vandermeulen – Maybe we should find places to put community bins for three or four units.

Director Guttman – So that homeowners know what we are talking about, **Bob** can you tell us the size of the existing recycle containers that we now have?

Bob Scheaffer – They are the small 32-gallon containers unless people have requested a larger one.

Director Bueling – Some people have 32 gallon and some people have 64-gallon containers.

Bob Scheaffer – They come in three sizes.

Director Guttman – We had spoken earlier about having Harrison furnish samples to us that could be located in the Pavilion or somewhere like that so people could visually see what they might want or what would be involved. Are we still able to do that?

Bob Scheaffer – We have probably 6 or 8 months before that would happen, but we can do it now.

Director Vandermeulen – We would want to do that before they start ordering any for us.

Director Jones – Going through the Architectural Committee's list it needs to be pointed out that we have in excess of 900 buildings in the Village. Most of these buildings based on what the Architectural Committee is telling us need two trash receptacles, one at either end, so we potentially have 1800 structures to be built. This is not a cheap project and that does not include the cost of the bins themselves. We need to be very careful as we walk through this. We are going to get a lot of push back from using garages which is cost effective. So, just keep that in mind as we have this discussion.

Bob Scheaffer – One other thing – I did not mention the phone number for Harrison is 805-647-1414 and ask for **Daniel Harrison** if you have comments regarding the trash can issue.

Bob Scheaffer – I have one other thing. We had 145 green sheets, 53 sprinkler issues, 19 shrubs. Total green sheets entered was 227 and total completed was 177.

The Board took a 10-minute break.

Director Vandermeulen – Discussion of landscape permit fees. This was not in our packet and Residential Landscape has not been meeting, so this will be tabled.

Director Vandermeulen – Discussion of Accessory Dwelling Units (ADUs). The City of Camarillo passed their updated ordinance on ADUs and JADUs. It will go into effect in about 30 days. We will have to have our attorneys review it and see what applies to us. I have a feeling that if some of the groups can possibly appeal this there will be some additional information and possible changes we might be able to see by next year on this. So, I think we have a couple of choices. We can table this until next month or drop it until we have something concrete to consider from our attorney.

Bob Scheaffer – You want to keep it on the agenda; you tend to forget things when you remove them from the agenda.

Director Vandermeulen – OK so we table this agenda item.

Director Vandermeulen – Discussion of Roundup spraying schedule and best practices. Has there been any progress?

Bob Scheaffer -Yes, it will be in the next issue of the *Village Voice*. I think it will be in the same place as the mowing schedule, but we can also add a small article about what we are doing and why we are doing it. **Mike Undem** is on vacation, but when he returns I will let him know the urgency of this and why we are doing it.

Director Guttman – Once again I would like to remind the homeowners that the very small use of Roundup in our Village is not done by a broadcast spraying method. It is done by somebody who is walking about with a tank with the appropriate mix of chemicals. It is hand-applied and sprayed directly on a weed. It is not what most people think about as a spreader throwing about weed killer. This is a spot application and it is also colored, at least for a short period of time, so they can see where it is sprayed, and it is done on a weed-by-weed basis.

Director Vandermeulen – The main purpose of getting the schedule out is that residents will know when it is going to be in their area and they can choose to stay inside and keep their pets away from it. They will know what to expect and that will be a big help.

Director Guttman – I am a real advocate of trying to determine what the best practices are. Have we made any attempt to see what other similar communities are doing? Are they using Roundup, are they using other alternatives? I know that the alternatives are more expensive, but I think it is worthwhile trying to determine what other entities such as ours have done.

Bob Scheaffer – We contacted Leisure World and no one responded to our call as well as the County of Ventura and no response.

Director Vandermeulen – Did we contact any of the school districts?

Bob Scheaffer – No, just those two. I can speak with Lawnscares. They work all over the County and deal with places like Calleguas Water District.

Director Vandermeulen – I am more interested in other homeowners' associations, rather than municipalities.

Bob Scheaffer – That might be limited. If you want information from companies or entities that are actually doing it I would not restrict me to just that.

Director Guttman – I think the suggestion that **Bob** has made is appropriate and I would encourage him to pursue it.

ACTION ITEMS – NEW BUSINESS

Treasurer's Report – **Director Jones** – Due to the on-going health crisis the Finance Committee has been unable to meet during the last month. In addition, with the beginning of the new fiscal year we made a couple of changes to the way our finances are reported. Unfortunately, some of those requested changes were not properly implemented by our outside vendor which resulted in a number of inconsistencies in our financial statements for the month of April. The good news is that we have a surplus for the month of April the first month of our fiscal year. The savings resulted from the timing of some expenses, the fact that the Rec Center was closed and the continued effort by our staff to hold down expenses. The issues with the financial statements have been relayed to our accounting staff and our outside vendor and adjustments have been made.

MOTION: **Director Jones** and seconded by **Director Bueling** that the Board approve the operating and reserve financial statements as amended for the period ending April 30, 2020.

DISCUSSION: None

VOTE: Unanimous

Bob Scheaffer – One comment – the audit – we have been working with the company doing the audit trying to work out a way they can do it virtually so they don't have to come in. They have to have access to some accounting information through our vendor to be able to review all our financial records. We are working on that right now, and as soon as that happens we will start the audit. It is scheduled to begin the first of June and has to be mailed out by the end of July.

Director Jones – As long as I get an opportunity to meet with the auditor either in person or virtually we are good to go.

Director Vandermeulen – Appointment of the 2021 Nominating Committee Chair to serve from the adjournment of the 2020 Annual Meeting through the 2021 Annual Meeting. I did get a volunteer for this. **Director Mayer** are you still interested in doing this?

Director Mayer – Yes, if nominated I will run, and if elected I will serve.

Director Vandermeulen - Is there anyone else that is interested?

Bob Scheaffer – If you are going to run again **Director Mayer** you cannot be Chair of the Nominating Committee.

Director Mayer – I have no intention of doing so.

Bob Scheaffer – If you decide to run again you will have to resign as Chair.

Director Mayer – I know. I have been on a Nominating Committee where that happened.

MOTION: **Director Guttman** and seconded by **Director Jones** to appoint **Director Mayer** as Chair of the 2021 Nominating Committee to serve from the adjournment of the 2020 Annual Meeting through the 2021 Annual Meeting.

DISCUSSION: None

VOTE: Unanimous

Director Vandermeulen – Review of rules regarding the golf course flag pins. The last order said they had to be down. However, many of the public courses were going against this so the Health Officer, looked a little reluctant to do this, but he did make an announcement that pins could be up or they could be down but they could not be changed during the day time. So, we can vote to leave them up or leave them down. I have received calls from three or four people who say they need them put up.

Bob Scheaffer – The cups are upside down so they cannot reach in the hole so there is no reason to take the pins out. They only leave the pins in so they can see where the hole is.

Director Vandermeulen – Can they still be pulled out if someone chose to do that?

Bob Scheaffer – Yes, but why would you do that? There is no reason to do that.

Director Vandermeulen – I know there is no reason and I don't think most of our club players would take them out but I am concerned about others.

Bob Scheaffer – You may have one or two people who will do it, but short of having a marshal on the course carrying wipes in their pockets to wipe it off and signs saying do not remove there is no way to control it.

Director Vandermeulen – The way it was worded it sounded like they had to be anchored in there some way.

Bob Scheaffer – There is no way to do that.

Director Bueling – It was reported that one golf course filled the holes with sand with the flag pin in it. That is a possibility.

Bob Scheaffer – The cups are upside down so that is not possible.

Director Bueling – Hole #1 was not when I went to check it a couple of weeks ago.

Bob Scheaffer – Then one of the residents flipped it over.

Director Vandermeulen – Holes #1 and #9 they are turned over but they are about an inch below so the ball can still roll in there but roll out again. But it was not way down.

Director Bueling – When I looked at it a couple of weeks ago it was a good 2-1/2 inches. It didn't appear as though it had been turned over.

Bob Scheaffer – I will talk to **Mike Undem** and see if we can fill them with sand and then put a cup on top of that so you can't push them down.

Director Bueling – All we have to do is see it hit against it and say OK that is good.

Director Vandermeulen – Remember that these holes get moved around a bit unless we elect to leave them in one place. So, you would be continually filling them with sand and that might cause problems down the road.

Director Jones – I went out and played golf on Saturday for the first time in well over 1

year on the back nine and the flags were exactly as advertised. The cups were inverted, the ball would go in but not fall below the ground level. The ball was easy to remove and it worked perfectly.

MOTION: Director Jones and seconded by **Director Bueling** that we re-install the flag pins with a note on them to not remove.

DISCUSSION: Director Vandermeulen – Is anyone open to re-visiting this if we get numerous complaints from people.

Bob Scheaffer – you can revisit this anytime you want.

Director Jones – We are going to be having a Working Board Meeting in the near future and if we get reports that there is mass violation we can change it at that time.

VOTE: Unanimous

Director Vandermeulen – That was the last of the New Business items. We have no Executive Session.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

- Absentee Ballots must be cast by 5PM, June 24, 2020. Ballot boxes are located in front of the Association Office and the Rec Center.
- Registration for voting at the Annual Meeting, June 25, 2020, will require registering for a meeting ballot between 8-10AM in the Multi-Purpose Room of the Rec Center.
- The Annual Meeting will be held on June 25, 2020, beginning at 10AM in the Assembly Room.
- A Working Board Meeting will be held immediately following adjournment of the Annual Meeting for election of Board officers.

- The next Open Board Meeting will be held on Monday, July 6, 2020, 10AM, in the Assembly Room

Note: Annual Meeting Procedures are subject to change depending on the County of Ventura Health Orders. You will be advised as soon as we are aware of any required changes.

SAFETY & SECURITY **JUNE 2020**

By Chief Manny Segovia

Beat the Heat

Higher temperatures are a part of the summer season, but over the last few years it seems that not a summer goes by without a fatal heat wave. Seniors especially are at risk from heat related health problems. These conditions can range from mild discomfort to full-fledged emergencies. Seniors are more prone to heat stress than younger people because:

- They do not adjust as well as young people to sudden changes in temperature.
- They are more likely to have a chronic medical condition that upsets normal body responses to heat.
- They are more likely to take prescription medicines that impair the body's ability to regulate its temperature or that inhibit perspiration.

Help seniors protect themselves from heat-related stress in these ways:

- Make sure they are visited at least twice a day to be sure they don't have any signs of heat exhaustion or heat stroke.
- Make sure they are keeping themselves hydrated by drinking plenty of cool water.
- Encourage them to avoid beverages with caffeine or alcohol. Alcohol, in particular, increases dehydration.

- Make sure they have access to an electric fan/air conditioning whenever possible.
- Suggest limiting appliance use and unnecessary lighting which create heat.
- Encourage elders to stay indoors in a cool area during the hottest part of the day.
- If it is necessary to be outside, stay in the shade and limit exertion as much as possible.
- Encourage light-weight clothing.

Heat fatigue is a feeling of weakness. Symptoms include cool, moist skin and a weakened pulse. The person may feel faint.

Heat exhaustion is a warning that the body is getting too hot. The person may be thirsty, giddy, weak, uncoordinated, nauseous, and sweating profusely. The body temperature is usually normal and the pulse is normal or raised. The skin is cold and clammy. Although heat exhaustion often is caused by the body's loss of water and salt, salt supplements should only be taken with advice from a doctor.

Heat stroke can be LIFE-THREATENING! A person with heat stroke has a body temperature above 104° F. Other symptoms may include confusion, combativeness, bizarre behavior, faintness, staggering, strong rapid pulse, dry flushed skin, lack of sweating, possible delirium or coma.

If you see *any* signs of severe heat stress, call Leisure Village Security for immediate medical assistance while you begin cooling the affected person:

Notices of Violation for May 2020

	Resident	Guest	Contractor
Speeding	1	1	0
Stop Sign	2	1	0
Other	0	0	0
Subtotal			
Moving Vio.	3	2	0
Parking	2	0	0
Rules & Regs	4	0	0
Sub-Total			
Non-Moving	6	0	0
Total This Month.....	= 11		
Total for Year.....	=74		

DID YOU KNOW?

RULE 5.01, BICYCLES AND TRICYCLES AS A VEHICLE. Every person riding a bicycle or tricycle on Leisure Village streets is subject to all the rules applicable to the driver of the vehicle.

RULE 5.03, BIKE LANES. Every person operating a bicycle or tricycle on a roadway shall ride as near the right side of the roadway as practicable with the flow of traffic. Marked bike lanes shall be used where provided except when making left-hand turns or it is unsafe to do so.

Two abreast or side-by-side riding of bicycles thereby crossing into the motor vehicle lanes is unsafe and not permitted.

RULE 5.05, WALKWAYS. Riding a bicycle or tricycle or operating a vehicle defined in Section 4.08b (see below) on walks is permitted; however, the rider must at all times watch for pedestrians and yield the right-of-way. Bike lanes should be used whenever possible.

RULE 5.08, USE OF BIKE LANES. Pedestrians, joggers, runners and those persons using wheelchairs are permitted to use the unobstructed sidewalks along Leisure

Village and Mountain View Drives at all times. Vehicles defined in Section 4.08b (see below) may use bike lanes. Personal three- or four-wheel scooters are permitted to use the bike lane.

RULE 4.08b. Motor vehicle does not include personal mobility scooters, motorized tri and quadricycles, and self-propelled wheelchairs if operated by a person, by reason of physical disability, is otherwise unable to move about as a pedestrian. Golf carts are specifically excluded from this section.

**EMERGENCY USE
ONLY**

E MERGENCY PHONE LOCATIONS

1. Clubhouse hallway across from the Woodcreek Room.
2. On the building wall across from the Bocce Courts.
3. Pool Deck by the Men's Locker Room.
4. Rec. Center west entrance on wall by Lapidary Room.
5. New Fitness Center, inside.
6. Woodshop, inside.
7. Woodshop Annex (old fitness center), inside.
8. Rec Center hallway by Sewing Room.

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Bobi Shmerling



SPEED LIMITS IN THE VILLAGE



ALL VILLAGES



LV Drive and Mountain View Drive

Respect your neighbors, your community, and obey all traffic signs within the Village. At all times there are walkers, joggers, bike riders and pets along our roadways. Thank You!



MOVE IN'S & MOVE ABOUTS

May 2020 (See Insert)

SPRAY/SEED DATES – 2020

June 23, 24, 25

August 25, 26, 27

September 21, 22, 23, 24

October 26, 27, 28, 29

November 17, 18, 19



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OFFICE HOURS

Administration and Recreation Center

8:15 a.m. – 11:45 a.m. and 1:00 p.m. – 4:45

p.m. Purchases made at the Association

Offices must be paid for by check – neither

cash nor credit cards will be accepted.

GATE HOURS

Main Gate - 24 Hours

East & West Gates - M-F 6am-7pm

Weekends 7am– 7pm

**NON-LIFE THREATENING,
EMERGENCY, AFTER-HOUR CALLS
SHOULD BE MADE TO THE MAIN
GATE (482-0716)**



ARE YOU PREPARED?

Please reference the following websites for helpful tips for Emergency Preparedness:

<http://www.redcross.org/get-help/how-to-prepare-for-emergencies>

http://calfire.ca.gov/fire_protection/fire_protection_be_prepared

<https://emergency.cdc.gov>



COMMITTEE MESSAGES

Architectural: We are always seeking new volunteers. If you are interested in any aspect of construction, with or without experience, and would like to help guide the Village look – call **Rick Wilkman or Don Marquardt**. The Leisure Village Architectural Committee meets at 8:30 a.m. on the first and third Friday of each month to process a homeowner's permit application for change to the exterior of the home. Volunteers are available as consultants to help you with the following:

1. Determine if your requested change is within the scope of architectural standards as determined by the LVA Architectural Guidelines.
2. Provide a paperwork trail for all changes in the event you sell your home to buyers requesting assurance the changes were approved.
3. Assist the homeowner in completing the Architectural Permit Application if needed. Please come to the Recreation Center Garden Room between 8:30 – 9:30 a.m. on the first or third Friday of each month with supporting documents that describe your requested change and the top section of the permit application filled out. The permit must be signed by the property owner. There is a fee for the permit and you will be informed of the cost when it is reviewed.

Use the Architectural Guidelines when deciding what changes to the exterior of your home can be done. Your contractor must have on file with the Association Office all required insurance and licenses before the permit application will be approved by the

Architectural Committee. No work to the exterior of the home can begin until you received a signed permit application.

The Architectural Guidelines and what license and insurance are required from your contractor is available on-line at <http://www.leisurevillage.org> on the documents page.

See the Architectural Committee first. It is strongly suggested you do not deposit any money with a contractor or building material supplier until you have an approved Architectural permit.

Residential Landscape: We welcome volunteers – call **Jerry Sortomme**.



Visit www.bewaterwise.com or www.camrosa.com for additional water conservation information. Continue to conserve water – there will other droughts in our near future.



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leisurevillage.org/communication

CHECK OUT THE LEISURE VILLAGE WEBSITE

www.leisurevillage.org



REMINDERS

Requests to Remove Debris – The Association Office continues to receive requests from residents to remove leaves and other debris from front porches, patio areas and garage entrances. Staff will only pick up leaves from beds when they are working in the Village during the normal pruning schedule, which is approximately every three months. We cannot engage in individual landscaping. We do the best we can with the resources available to us so that all can benefit equally. It is the homeowner/resident's responsibility to take care of the porch, patio and garage areas on a daily basis.

Assessment Due Date – Assessments are due on the first of each month. They are past due at 5:00pm on the 15th. When the 15th falls on a Saturday, Sunday or a holiday, the deadline is extended to the next business day at 5:00pm. Please make sure your Village address is on your check. If it is not printed on the check please write it in. This is the only way we can ensure your assessment is credited to your account. You may drop your check in the assessment box located in the Rec Center lobby from the first of the month through the 15th of the month. If the box has been removed please bring your assessment check to the Association Office.

Changes in Family Status - If changes should occur in one's family status such as a death, or a family member, marital status or a home phone number change, etc., the Association Office must be notified by completing a new Association Information Form (AIF). The AIF allows the staff to update your records in the computer. No changes will be accepted or adjustments made to assessments until a current AIF is on file in the office. AIF forms may be picked up from and returned to the Association Office. If you have not updated

your AIF recently, please stop by the office and fill one out. This is the only way we keep our records up-to-date.



AARP SMART DRIVER CLASS

If you want to improve your defensive driving habits and learn how to adjust to age-related changes in your vision, hearing and reaction time then this class is for you. This class is for Leisure Village residents only. Please contact **Paul Herman** to register for this class. The cost is \$15 for AARP members and \$20 for non-members. Please make your check out to AARP and write your AARP number on the memo line of the check. Pre-registration is necessary for enough workbooks and certificates to be available for those completing this class.



For Current Emergency Information

ALERTS: www.nixle.com (sign up for local alerts for fire, sheriff). If you have signed up for emergency alerts before you moved here, go online and update your profile with your current address.

ADDITIONAL WEBSITES:

www.vcfd.org (Ventura County Fire Department)

www.vcsd.org (Ventura County Sheriff's Department)

<http://www.vcemergency.com/> Information on evacuation, evacuation centers, road closures, Covid-19, etc. Include maps of fire burn area.

Google Maps will show road closures.
**IF YOU HAVE DOWNLOADED
TWITTER FOLLOW:**
@VCScanner (has round-the-clock updates
on local disasters)
@VCFD (VC Fire Department)
@VCFD PIO (VC Fire Department Public
Information Officer)
@VENTURASHERIFF

Dates to Remember
MAY 22-JUNE 24 – ABSENTEE
BALLOTING PERIOD
JUNE 25 – ANNUAL MEETING, 10AM
Dates subject to change.

*As things reopen and we begin
to move around, please
remember to be safe. Be
respectful of others - wear your
face covering and maintain
social distancing.*

*Follow the procedures put in
place by retail establishments,
restaurants, and other places
of gathering. They are there to
keep you safe and healthy.*



