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Newsletter

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Hello and welcome to your HOA's Newsletter for April-May, 2018!

Here is an update of what is going on at Sunrise Palms

“DESERT-SCAPING” COMES TO HERMOSA

By now, you have probably noticed a lot of work going on Hermosa Drive, the “Main Street” of Sunrise Palms. The Board is pleased to announce an initial installation of drought-tolerant landscaping (aka “desert-scaping”), replacing the traditional all-grass configuration.

The HOA is participating in a turf buy-back program with Desert Water Agency, which will result in a substantial amount of money “kicked-back” to us in exchange for removing grass. This money is then used to fund additional desert-scaping around the complex. This is making it possible for us to get started with the long-rumored landscape changes.

It is the hope of the Board that homeowners will take the time to look at the new look to Hermosa Drive once it is finished, and make your feelings known through emails or phone calls. We want feedback on what you think of the design, the plants, too much grass/too little grass, etc. etc. With our water rates climbing steeply over the next couple of years, converting Sunrise Palms to a less water-dependent place is vitally important.

ANNUAL MEETING/ELECTION RESULTS

The Annual Meeting of the Sunrise Palms HOA was held on April 23, 2018, at the onsite office. The meeting had been delayed from March due to lack of sufficient votes from homeowners to constitute a quorum. By waiting the additional period of time, the number of votes constituting a quorum was reduced, pursuant to the governing documents, and thus the threshold was met.

Five candidates – including two incumbents – were running for three two-year terms on the Board. The ballots were counted in the presence of homeowners gathered for the meeting. The results of the election were that incumbents Linda Winesburg and Henry Doering were re-elected, and former Board member Dayle Sandusky rejoined the Board. In addition, homeowners approved the 2017 Annual Meeting minutes, as well as the annual statement of the HOA for the IRS.

Following a brief organizational meeting, the new Board announced the officers for 2018-19: Henry Doering, President; Ernie Meeker, Vice-President; Dayle Sandusky, Secretary; Linda Winesburg, Treasurer; and Bill Miller, Director.

The Board thanks all who ran for office and all who voted in the election, and looks forward to a productive year ahead.



POOL LEAK

Unfortunately, Pool 6, one of the two pools currently being heated, has developed a leak within the plaster. Repairing the problem will involve shutting down and draining the pool, followed by digging up the leak, fixing it, and resurfacing the pool.

In order to inconvenience owners and residents as little as possible, the Board has directed Pool 8 to be heated until May 31 (when all pool heating ceases for the summer) as a substitute for Pool 6. Pool 8 is also the next pool in order to be heated, starting in the fall and going until May 31, 2019.

Once the new heaters are installed at Pool 8, it will be heated for the next few weeks. Watch for details at the pools.

PALM TREE TRIMMING TIME

Believe it or not, it's time once again for homeowners to trim the palm trees in their backyards.

According to the Rules and Regulations, all palm trees must be trimmed during the summer months (the proper season for doing so). Please take some time to read the letter about palm tree trimming that is enclosed with this Newsletter, and take the appropriate action.

HAVE A QUESTION? A COMPLAINT? A SUGGESTION?

Is there something that needs fixing? Have you spotted a violation of the rules? Do you have a great idea for something to make our community a better place? We want to know about it!

The best way to communicate is through Justine Boyer, our on-site manager. Justine's office hours are 9:00am – 3:00 pm, Monday through Friday. You can come to the office in person during those hours, or feel free anytime to drop Justine an email (jboyer@desertmanagement.com) or to call her at 760-327-7287. The phone is answered 24/7 by a live answering service when the office is not open.

The next HOA Board meeting: Friday, May 4, 2018

2:00 P.M., Onsite Office