



Architectural Committee

The Architectural Committee receives requests from WV residents regarding exterior property changes and improvements.

September: The committee approved six requests this month for the following: Repair driveway, two requests to replace roofing, replace skylights, replace front landing and steps, and repair siding. One request to install a metal roof is on hold. The BOD voted on one request to paint a house.

October: The committee approved 14 requests this month for the following: Stain deck, install retaining wall, install siding, install propane tank, replace driveway, install metal roof, roofing color change, extend start date for project, replace shutters, repaint home, touch up paint, replace deck railing, repair entrance to home, and replace roofing. The BOD voted on two requests to replace retaining wall and create parking space behind home. *Ken Mayo, Chair*

Maintenance Committee

September:

- Carolina Time will begin new gate installation Wednesday the 17th.
- The adjuster came and took pictures the 11th. The adjuster has our 3 bids for sign replacement, no response received to repeated requests.
- Lower deck of pier has sustained damage from high tides and has been secured to prevent access. We are assessing how best to proceed.
- Little River Water & Sewer will be replacing water valve at the intersection of Liberty and Little River Drive Thursday, September 18th.
- Paving and tree trimming will begin in October.

October: I looked at the Bids for Pavement and for the sign and gave them to the Board for approval. *Paul Horner, Chair*

Beautification Committee

September: Thank you to Jean Phalen for her many years of service on the Beautification Committee! She is graciously trying to show me the ropes and answer all my questions. Jean, Arlene and I met on Wednesday, September 3rd to go over everything. Jean met me at the clubhouse the next day and we pruned and weeded the front beds. She introduced me to Terri at Carolina Greens who has been handling the clean up and plantings at the entrance. Fall plantings for front entrance will be scheduled for the end September/first of October. Any volunteers or advice/ideas are welcome!

October: Carolina Greens has pruned and cleaned up the front entrance as scheduled this month. We replaced a shrub that had been damaged on Lafayette Circle. Thanks to John Phalen and Justin for planting it for us. Jean Phalen and I replaced plantings in the pots outside the office last week. We are looking at maybe replacing/adding a few more bushes in the natural area in front of the office

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Thanks goes to Agnes Morrisette for submitting this gorgeous picture of the pier and clubhouse from the waterway!

Please Note:

Concerns and tree requests must be received by the Thursday, prior to the workshop to be considered for that month. Workshops are held the 2nd Tuesday of each month, so get your concerns/tree requests in by the first Thursday. And remember, there is no meeting in December!

September Meeting Notes:

1. Board decided not to renew the Little River Chamber of Commerce Membership
2. Paul Horner is the new maintenance chair
3. If there are any volunteers to help with beautification/maintenance, let the office know.
4. Lacy resigned as recreation chair; a new chair is needed.



September Letters & Concerns

Seven were closed. Three concerns are on hold. A \$100 fine was approved for installing two satellite dishes without approval.

Publicity Committee:

I apologize for being unable to publish September's newsletter. I have planned to publish September and October reports together and aim to have that done by 10/24. We are always looking for committee volunteers and newsletter submissions. We'd be happy to teach anyone who wants to learn how to maintain our village's Wordpress-based website. Please contact me at lspritchard@gmail.com if you have any questions.

Social Committee

September: The Labor Day picnic was held on August 31st. We had fried chicken and good company and GREAT food provided by all attending. If you missed this one you missed some good cooks showing their talents. There is one clubhouse rental in September. We will now begin to plan the holiday activities. Thanks to all the volunteers in the village, not only on the social committee. Once again, if you would like to join this committee we will be missing some of the committee during the winter months and we could always use your help.
Pat Horne, Chair

If you have news to share in the newsletter, Suzanne Pritchard at lspritchard@gmail.com.



Beautification Committee cont.

visitor entrance and Little River Drive. Side flowerbeds at clubhouse need to be cleaned up some. Any volunteers to help me are more than welcome! If anyone else has any ideas or suggestions, my e-mail is morris.gina@yahoo.com. *Gina Morris, Chair*

GAC Committee

The GAC meeting has been permanently moved to the last Tuesday of the month; this month it will be held on 10/28 at 7:30 pm in the clubhouse. Contact me if you have any questions.

Last year, azaleas and other plantings were purchased for some vacant areas near the clubhouse. At the time, permanent irrigation was planned for the future, but that has yet to be installed. There may be an opportunity to place a permanent line during the new phase of asphalt paving for reduced cost. We would ask the maintenance committee to keep this in mind and investigate this opportunity. It would be a shame to waste both the plants and time of our volunteers.

Several GAC members attended the maintenance committee meeting this past month. There are real concerns over this committee's leadership, as the new chair never attended the original or rescheduled meeting. We would ask the BOD to consider recommending a co-chair to attend these meetings and participate more fully with the village volunteers.

We are beginning to contact residents on an informal level to ask them to bring their property in compliance with the unkempt standards passed on the July ballot. We will be presenting the board with recommendations regarding these properties at a future meeting.

The GAC is very concerned by the general state of affairs in our POA. There is a lack of professionalism, leadership, and accountability in our community; these problems are not shared with our neighboring communities and seem to uniquely affect WJV. This criticism is not intended as an indictment of any current volunteers or board members. It is intended to bring to light the failure of our POA's system of governance, a system that did not account for a future where the number of volunteer working hours was limited to the current levels.

The maintenance chair position illustrates this problem quite well; this volunteer position has the time requirements of a full time job. Few people would or should consider giving so much of their personal time and energy for such a thankless role. Too few residents are unreasonably being made responsible for the 399 lots and common property areas in WJV. There is little attention paid to long-term maintenance, a lack of planning and follow-through for major on-going projects, and limited accountability for everything. The GAC intends to brainstorm remedies and solutions for this problem over the coming months, and we invite all with any ideas to attend our meetings.
Suzanne Pritchard, Chair