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Clipper Estates Newsletter June 2017

This is a reminder to call Renaissance, our property management firm, with any questions or concerns. Their phone number is (985) 624-2900. The email is info@renmgt.com. The Board continued to meet on the last Thursday of every other month at the Tammany Yacht Club at 6:30 pm. Meeting notice dates are posted at the front entrance gate. The next **board meeting is July 27**. Our top priorities continue to be Maintenance and Finance.

Maintenance

We approved \$22,680 for **street repairs** on Royal Palm and Cuttysark Cove and have completed that work. We are getting bids from contractors to repair and repaint the **front entrance** walls. There are two drainage pipe projects in progress on Clipper and Regatta Cove. We are planning to do **one major maintenance** job a quarter.

Speeding

There have been numerous complaints about **speeding** throughout the subdivision. The speed limit is **25 mph**. **Police details** have started and will continue. Please be mindful of your speed! Note that tickets written in the subdivision must be paid in person and cannot be mailed in.

Dirt Bikes, ATV's and Golf Carts

There have been quite a few dirt bikes, ATV's and golf carts going through the neighborhood in most cases with underage drivers, unlicensed and at a high rate of speed. In at least one case, a Sheriff detail **impounded two ATV's**. We also know of several ATV's that are going to the back of the property which is undeveloped. There are now **bike trails** established there. We are turning over video of these vehicles to the Sheriff for prosecution. We are also going to **install a barrier** at the back of the property to keep the bikes and ATV's from using it. Our primary concern is the high rate of speed these vehicles attain and the safety threat to our walking, jogging residents and their children.

Eurasian Water Milfoil

Louisiana Department of Wildlife and Fisheries has confirmed that Moonraker Lake has a population of Eurasian Water Milfoil which is the plant in the shallow portions near the shores. We are asking them for help to eradicate it but do not expect them to. They tell us it is likely temporary. If residents want to get it rid of it they recommend granular 2,4-D. It is pretty expensive. Some residents have used a scythe or rake to remove it.

Compliance / Finance

Renaissance inspects the neighborhood once a week looking for **violations** to CC&R's. They will send out a certified letter when they see a violation like a trailer or RV parked on the property, unkempt gardens, unapproved construction, etc. This quarter they have sent out **xx violation letters**. If that does not work, they will start fining the property owner. If that does not work, they place a lien on the property. To date, they have attached **xx liens**. Many times, this corrects the problem. If a lien still does not fix the violation, they go to court and obtain a judgment. Wages can be garnisheed or property seized to satisfy the judgment. To date, **xx judgments** have been obtained.

As some of the **bulkheads age** we are starting to see failures. With the failures, sink holes can develop causing you and your neighbors to lost property. We are starting to fine and lien property owners who do not maintain their property.

Community / Social News

The 2nd Boat Rally was held on June 10 with better weather than last year and decent attendance. Please forward any Social get together ideas to cabarber@me.com.

New home construction requests continue to come in! Look for several new houses going up in our neighborhood.

Nextdoor Clipper Estates is a private online website that many of your neighbors have joined. Residents can stay connected, share community events, recommendations and crime/safety concerns as well as information on neighborhood social events. To accept your invitation to join and help us build a better neighborhood visit: clipperestates.nextdoor.com/join and enter flyer code RERJVZ.

Renaissance continues to receive many complaints about **dog owners** who do not clean up after their dogs while walking. This is very unsanitary and unsightly to see in your front yard. Simply carry a grocery bag and please pick up your doggy doo!

Architecture Review Process

Please remember that **all outside construction needs to be approved** by our Architecture Review Committee.

We hired a **contractor** who reviews all the **ARC applications** for Oak Harbor to review all new ARC requests for Clipper Estates. This means for some projects there will be a **non-refundable** portion of the fee. This will be a pass through charge from the contractor.

Please help keep our neighborhood up to the high standards we all enjoy. Contact Renaissance for more information. You have seen **signs in the yards** of homeowners who have received ARC approval so it will be very apparent who has not.

New Members

The **Welcome Committee** continues to greet new neighbors to our neighborhood. In order to make sure we don't miss any new neighbors moving into Clipper, please send the names and addresses of new neighbors to Elaine Mercer (ecmercer0712@gmail.com) or call 985-201-8298. New neighbors will be greeted with a small gift and welcome letter. We would like to welcome:

Donna Tucker at 1413 D Royal Palm Dr
Maria and Mark Hammond at 1413 B Royal Palm Dr
Kenneth and Patricia Conner at 1520 Regatta Cove
Pat and Gus Gauthier at 1435 Royal Palm

Street Lights

When a **street light** is not working properly please report the light to CLECO at (800) 622-6537. When requesting a work order you will need the street address, the pole's numbers and a description of the malfunction.

Trash Pickup

There have been some questions about what Team Waste will pick up. Team Waste will pick up items that are bundled in 4' or less sections or bagged items. Loose branches and debris will not be picked up. Also, they do not accept glass items in the recycle bin.

Clipper Estates HOA Board of Directors

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