

Special Assessment Project Update 8-1-10

Campground:

The electrician has to order/install a few meters. Then, the Campground upgrades will be done. The process for leveling dirt has begun and that should be completed within the next week. Then the grass seed goes down. We are still waiting to hear from Summit Broadband, who purchased Ygnition, and who originally wanted to pull out of CH completely. Now they want to provide us with a bid on cable and internet services.

The totals below have been rounded up for ease of calculation and there may be a few unknown items not identified below.

Electrician	\$ 58,700
Plumber	\$ 63,900
Tree removal	\$ 225
Dirt for leveling	\$ 700

Total so far \$123,525

Paid Special Assessment Funds as of June 30, 2010 \$57,680

We have had to use some of our reserve funds to pay for these services. We still have reserve monies left, so do not let these figures intimidate you. The Association is financially strong.

Sewer Plant/Ponds:

Tropical Storm Bonnie left no rain at CH. The ponds are down 15" or more below the overflow point, which equates to approx 375,000 gallons.

Laundries – Sue Flanagan contacted the Department of Environmental Protection (DEP) on 7-27. They said we can open the laundries, but if we begin to overflow again, we need to close them. We don't feel that will happen, taking into consideration the number of residents in the park and all of the work that has been done to eliminate rain water infiltration into the sewer system. We signed a contract on 7-29 with Commercial Laundries. They will begin replacing all of our washing machines with brand new front load washers and new dryers sometime in August. This will be another huge impact on the sewer by using 13 gallons of water in a front loading machine vs. 35 gallons of water in a top loading machine. Yes, the laundry prices will change to \$1.50 per load to wash and per load to dry; however, a front load washer holds 20 lbs vs. 14 lbs in a top loading machine. We are still below the average price since in town it costs \$2.25 per load to wash. Plus we will have all brand new equipment and if we do have any equipment problems, they will be fixed at no charge.

Manholes throughout the park – 29 have been resealed with hydraulic cement, which was applied around all holes and pipes entering the manholes in order to stop water infiltration. In addition, the lift station was sealed. There have been 29 manhole covers replaced. Some manholes that were below ground have been raised to above ground level.

Toilets/Urinals - we are receiving bids on replacing the toilets/urinals and/or the valves that control the flushing mechanisms.

Section D - some clay tile pipes that are full of roots, thus letting water infiltrate into the sewer system, have been discovered. We are getting bids on replacing the clay tiles and want this completed prior to November. Sections A, B, & C were done in past years.

DEP - we have submitted all of the issues that have been resolved and what we intend to do over the next couple of months.

Home Owners' Responsibilities – amazing things have been accomplished in the common areas of CH. This upcoming season will be the time when you, as the individual home owner, can make a huge impact as well. We would like each home owner to take the initiative and assess their home. Take a look at the items you are using; i.e. toilets, showerheads, etc. Are they water saving mechanisms? We are investigating several devices to install in toilet tanks to lessen the amount of water used to flush a toilet, rather than totally replacing the toilet. These devices range in price from \$20 to \$30 and seem to be easily installed. We want to educate home owners so they will be able to do their part in assisting CH to lessen the impact on the sewer plant.

With all these fixes and your help in the near future, we feel that our problems are resolved. We will be in a 'wait and see' mode when campers and home owners return. We have researched 4 options as backup plans if we run into the same situation as in past years. The top option will take only several weeks to implement, **if needed**.

Hopefully you find this update helpful and informative.

Board of Directors
Camper's Holiday Association