Mountain Valley Association Spring Newsletter 2018 Email: mvehoa@outlook.com or president@mymva.org Phone: 661-750-9044 (call or text)

Dear Members:

Summer is here!

The weather finally cooperated, and the majority of the worst potholes have been filled using donated material. A budget of \$2000.00 was requested by the road committee for repairs to some of the dirt roads and was approved. The amount of \$200.00 was requested by the road committee for repairs to a wash on Sand Canyon that was being undercut by flowing water. This amount was also approved. Cement bags have been dropped and stacked along the side of the wash to shore it up and prevent further erosion. Kudos to our road crew, they've been working hard! Volunteers are always needed and appreciated. If you have any road issues, please put them in writing and send them in via email or snail mail.

There will be a green flag placed on the bulletin board whenever there are agendas or minutes posted. It won't be there 24/7 – just long enough to grab your attention to the new information.

The survey to determine where Fernhill ends at Tract 3312 boundary was completed at a cost of \$1,633.25. Existing survey marks were located and verified and through the process we learned that permanent monuments were installed in Association roads during the original tract survey and these monuments are buried about 1 foot below ground. Our road crew will begin locating these monuments from Fernhill and continue on to other Association roads. As these monuments are located, monument boxes will be installed over them to make future access possible without having to dig up the roads.

Over the years, MVA property lines have been "blurred", some even fenced in. As the road monuments are located, we will be able to determine Association property boundaries and we will be working with members to remove any obstructions. We are also researching various codes and regulations related to our maintenance of roads. As we perform future maintenance, we need to improve our roads to meet standards for required width and grade, mostly for fire access. This may also include no-parking zones on narrower roads to accommodate fire department access.

In order to have the insurance \$25,000.00 deductible on hand, it was voted on and approved that \$7500.00 be transferred from the checking account into the reserve account in 2018 and 2019. Late fees and other fines will now be placed into the reserve account as well. The transfer for 2018 has been done, we have a total of \$17,661.27. Next year's transfer will put us just over the required \$25,000.00.

Three credit cards were issued for the President, Secretary and Treasurer. This eliminates the need for purchasing with checks which require two signatures (not real convenient). It will also provide a detailed account of purchases. A credit card policy was adopted and put in place.

In order for MVA to be in compliance with our own CCRs, assessment statements will now be mailed out August 1. Payments not received by November 1 are, according to our bylaws, in default. The amount remains the same, \$120.00 per lot and a \$12.00 late fee per lot. Our rules committee is working on a written policy for the imposition of late fees and interest on past-due amounts. Please be sure to make your checks out to "Mountain Valley Association" - not "MVA". We do not have a DBA and the bank will refuse any checks made out to MVA. Any check made payable to MVA will be returned causing a delay which could cause your payment to be late.

Bylaws, Articles of Incorporation and CC&Rs are all available on our website (<u>mymva.org</u>) and printed copies may be requested from our <u>Secretary</u>.

Disciplinary hearings were held for members who are in arrears (assessments and/or late fees). The Board voted to suspend membership privileges including running for a seat on the board or voting in the election until the accounts are brought current.

A Neighborhood Watch program was attempted to be set up. Sadly, apathy rules the day. Not too many interested or leery of what it is. There will be signs placed throughout the Canyon; two inside of Tract 3312, the cost of which will be donated. There will be one more meeting in August in hopes we can revive the initial interest. Because the incidents have more or less stopped, people seem to not feel the need. The need is still there! Also, please report any and all incidents. This is also at the urging of the Sheriff's Department. If there's no report of a crime – there is no crime. Do not call the local substation, please call **1-800-861-3110**. Every call is documented. The local substation does not document calls.

There was a typo on the Spring newsletter. The email for the secretary was incorrect, it should have read secretary@mymva.org. You may also continue to use mvehoa@outlook.com

The Annual Members Meeting and Election will be held on September 15. Again, there will be two seats up for election The Board discussed and voted to retain the services of The Management Trust again.

At this year's Annual Meeting/Election which will be held at the QVWD office on September 15th at 2:00 PM. The Board voted to combine the meeting with a barbecue potluck lunch prior to the meeting. The Association will provide the main course and side dishes to share are welcome from all attending.

Be sure to check out the website – <u>mymva.org</u> – all agendas, minutes, financials are posted. Audio recording of the meetings are also posted if you're interested in hearing how the meetings go.

The Board is here to work for you. If you have any concerns, questions or suggestions – or complaints, please let us know.

Have a pleasant Summer and please, clear your property of fire hazards!

Your board members, Randy Hardenbrook Pat Birlev Joan Tyer Rita Leonard Audrey Johnston

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