

MINUTES OF MEETING
DOUBLE BRANCH COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT

The regular meeting of the Board of Supervisors of the Double Branch Community Development District was held Monday, July 13, 2020 at 4:00 p.m. at the Plantation Oaks Amenity Center, 845 Oakleaf Plantation Parkway, Orange Park, Florida 32065.

Present and constituting a quorum were:

Cindy Nelsen	Chairperson
Scott Thomas	Supervisor (by phone)
Tom Horton	Supervisor
Andre Lanier	Supervisor
Chad Davis	Supervisor

Also present were:

Jim Perry	District Manager
Jason Walters	District Counsel (by phone)
Jay Soriano	Operations Manager - GMS
Chalon Suchsland	VerdeGo
Daniel Laughlin	GMS, LLC
One Resident	

FIRST ORDER OF BUSINESS

Roll Call

Mr. Perry called the meeting to order at 4:00 p.m.

SECOND ORDER OF BUSINESS

Audience Comments

Mr. Don Long, 3854 Cardinal Oaks Circle, stated I have an issue I'm trying to get resolved. I called Jay about it. The next-door neighbor was parking in front of the mailbox. I didn't get mail delivered Wednesday, Thursday or Friday. I talked to them a couple weeks ago and they moved it for a few days, and then moved it back and he said he couldn't do anything about it. The HOA said they would send a letter, but they're not delivering the mail, so now I have to get that taken care of. Their mailbox is full currently because they don't empty it because they're from China and the guy bought it for his kids so he can come visit them when they're in school. I called the Sheriff's Department and they said they can't do anything because it's an HOA community. I called the postmaster and they are looking into it. The HOA denied my request to buy a single box and move it to the other side. I was able to get mail on

Saturday by sitting outside for an hour and a half waiting for her. Finally, I was told I could move the whole mailbox to the other side, so I spent two hours moving the box to the other side. I was looking at the policies and they do have stuff in there as far as the vehicle is not supposed to be parked in designated areas, or in any manner that obstructs normal flow of traffic. To me, it seems like since we get curbside delivery, that it would be the normal flow of traffic is not blocking the mailbox and that you all have some jurisdiction over that for towing.

Mr. Perry stated they're not our roads.

Mr. Soriano stated the policies only pertain to our actual property, such as the parking lots and things like that. It doesn't pertain to the roads because we don't own them.

Mr. Don Long stated but for somebody that was overnight parking?

Mr. Soriano stated that's just in our parking lot, so I can tow somebody that parks in our parking lot overnight, but I can't tow anybody on the County's road, only the County can do that. The HOA does have wording in the grand covenants about this, but they don't own the road either so there's only so many things that can help them out to do anything. It's mostly going to be a nasty gram trying to get them to not park there. We have no authority whatsoever on the County roads.

Mr. Horton stated I don't know why the County can't do something about that.

Mr. Don Long stated they sent a Sheriff guy out there and he said there's nothing I can do because it's an HOA community and he said he couldn't ticket him or tow him. The guy from China paid cash for the house, so I don't know how much money he has. There for a while they weren't cutting the grass at all and he was probably getting fined. If they've been paid, I don't know.

Mr. Horton stated talk to Robert Patton and see if he can get one of the deputies to drop by here and ask him what he can do.

Mr. Don Long stated I just thought if there was a way you could put a new policy in or something.

Mr. Horton stated the roads belong to the County.

Mr. Davis stated as far as the post office goes, I would suggest staying in touch with them. I've had similar issues at my house, but believe it or not, I put my garbage out where it is supposed to go on Sunday. Monday my wife and I go to work, and the garbage company dumps it and just throws the cans down and she won't put my mail in the box, and she leaves

me a nasty gram that garbage cans were in front. I can't help that. I didn't put them there, I wasn't home. A lot of it I think falls on the post office people, and I've had to call several times about stuff like that, such as not getting certified letters. I'm not home, but they're supposed to leave the "sorry we missed you" thing for the certified letter. I would say stay in touch, but then again it sounds like the issue is solved because you moved the mailbox.

Mr. Horton asked you've talked to them about it right? The people who live there.

Mr. Dong Long stated the kids, because apparently the owner doesn't speak English, but I haven't really seen him other than sometimes he will be there smoking cigars out in the back. I don't think he's been there for a little while and they want to play basketball in their driveway, so they move the cars out. They have a three-car garage and there's two or three cars. I talked to them once and they moved it for a few days but there's nothing else I can do.

Mr. Thomas stated I live in the Oaks and I've had similar issues and I talked to the actual mail carrier and I've asked her a couple things and she's been pretty nice and accommodating. I know you've already taken too many steps for what I feel like are some inconsiderate neighbors. Have you had a chance to touch base with the actual mail carrier?

Mr. Don Long stated I did and she said if it's blocked she just bypasses, and in fact she said because they don't get their mail she has suspended delivering to them anyway, but it's in a shared box so if she can't get to it, she just drives right on by unless I'm able to run out there.

Mr. Lanier stated it may be the squeaky wheel that gets the grease so just keep on calling.

Mr. Soriano stated that is one of the things I think I mentioned to you is there is a department with the county, code enforcement, that deal with vehicles on roadways and a lot of times they get more involved than the Sheriff's office. With the Sheriff's office, especially if it's a PSA, you're only going to get so much help. If you're constantly contacting code enforcement and the more people that complain, they will eventually start doing something about it. They are limited by the rules they have in place right now, but they also know every HOA community is the same way. An officer comes out here and says it's an HOA community. Complain to your councilman and talk to him and he will do what he can to get the county to help out with cases that are kind of explain. To me, blocking the mailbox and not getting our mail for a couple of weeks sounds like more of a legal issue but it's also one that

we don't have much authority over. Other than helping you be that squeaky wheel and calling myself every once and a while, I don't have any more authority than you do.

THIRD ORDER OF BUSINESS **Approval of Consent Agenda**

- A. Approval of the Minutes of the June 8, 2020 Meeting**
- B. Financial Statements**
- C. Assessment Receipt Schedule**
- D. Check Register**

There being no comments on the consent agenda items, a motion to approve followed.

On MOTION by Mr. Davis seconded by Mr. Horton with all in favor the Consent Agenda was approved.

FOURTH ORDER OF BUSINESS **Discussion on the Fiscal Year 2021 Budget**

Mr. Perry stated this is just a placeholder for discussion on the budget. There have been no changes made to that at this time. We will update it for your next meeting, which is the budget adoption and that is going to be a night meeting at 6:00.

FIFTH ORDER OF BUSINESS **Staff Reports**

- A. District Counsel**

Mr. Walters stated when it comes to monitoring all of the directives and Executive Orders coming out of the Governor's office, you may have seen late last week he extended the State of Emergency for the State of Florida for another 60 days. Whether that will extend other previous Executive Orders, particularly those related to virtual meetings and things like that is yet to be seen, but we will keep an eye on that and keep staff and board members aware and make adjustments accordingly.

Mr. Horton stated Florida is a hot spot right now, so I think our guidance here ought to be, this won't make Oakleaf a hot spot, so what I'm thinking is, we don't have to go along with what the Governor says. We can do what we want, as long as we're careful.

Mr. Soriano stated we will talk about some of that and our daily operations too. I have some things to discuss that I think will go along with that, but I also have some things that might actually be contradictory to that too. We do have a little bit of ability to make our own decisions, but there are these other organizations that Jason gets working with and if we think

we're going to do something that they are not happy with the County might contact him so there is some stuff that we want to stay within that realm.

B. District Engineer – Acceptance of the 2020 Annual Engineer’s Report

Mr. Perry stated the annual engineer’s report is required as part of the bonds that have been issued by the District. It just states that he has reviewed the assets of the District and the assets are adequately insured and maintained properly. We will file the report with the bondholders.

Mr. Horton stated it mentions mail kiosks, but we don’t have any mail kiosks.

Ms. Nelsen stated in the Village Center there is a mail kiosk that we were required to put in with our capital funds.

On MOTION by Ms. Nelsen seconded by Mr. Horton with all in favor the 2020 annual engineer’s report was accepted.

C. District Manager

Mr. Perry stated I don’t have anything other than the budget again. We are working on that, and just keep in mind there is no increase in assessments for this next fiscal year.

D. Operations Manager - Memorandum

Mr. Soriano stated one of the very first things we’re going to talk about is some of the continual plans we have for opening. I would have hoped by now we would have moved into stage three of the Governor’s plan, but unfortunately, we’re not, and I don’t foresee it any time soon. However, that stage planning has changed. Everybody can argue different points. The schools were part of that phase three and schools are going to open. Here, we did get pushed a little bit. I did send out that we were going to open up the slides. We’ve taken every safety precaution that we can. We kind of get pushed because of things like Adventure Landing that has opened and all of the communities that opened theirs and we’re just trying to stay as safe as possible. I have not increased capacity. We’ve tried to get the residents to understand they need to handle their own social distancing and I’ve tried to get the lifeguards to understand they are not going to be going out with measuring sticks either, but they do have to help out with kids and parents and the spray ground. We have not hit capacity or had an issue in the last couple of

weeks because of it. We have seen more people than I reported to you last month, but we have not had a capacity issue, so I was not planning on increasing our capacity either. We're under 50% and we're allowed to be higher, but I don't think there's a reason and I think we should continue to be safe. There are some things that are being asked and I did kind of lay that on you guys in that last email to you for discussion today and it is because some other communities may have allowed daily guests. Not all of them. There are plenty of other CDDs out there that have not allowed daily guests. We have gone to allowing house guests. I do think that's a little safer and easier. We tend to see a lot less problems with house guests compared to daily guests, but it has been a question of when they are going to be allowed to bring daily guests back. I have been holding off because it creates some problems that I may need to figure out a way around. One of them is grandkids. We do have some dailies that end up bringing grandkids. The grandkids live here, so they're not really house guests. Right now, because we don't have guests, they can only sign them in, so we have angry grandma and grandpa. That is the first operational thing that I want to discuss, and I'll go into a couple of others.

Mr. Horton stated you say we're not hitting capacity right now. We're not at 50%, not even close, right?

Mr. Soriano stated the 100 people is actually about 35% or 40% of our normal capacity so you can have 100 people out there at your pools. We've come close a couple of times. On hot weekends I think we've had around 80 or 90 people and the lifeguards would send me a text that we were getting close and ask what happens. If we had 101 because a family came in with 5 people instead of 4, I'm going to allow it. It's the problem of when we have 100 we have to actually stop people from coming in and let them know we're at our capacity and that concerns me because we haven't had a case yet, but if we do and we have residents sitting out in the parking lot waiting because there's a bunch of people in there. We have gotten a lot of compliments on how we're operating right now. It's quite and controlled and they feel safer. That would not change. We're going to keep those numbers. I also am not going to change the hour and a half time block. There have been one or two people that really want to be in there longer, but I've had a lot more people tell me that they like it because it helps to get their kids out of the pool. It's worked out well since we don't have that line. It's really when they want to bring in a guest, they're mad because they can't.

Mr. Horton asked how many people are we talking about that are trying to bring guests?

Mr. Soriano stated if I have five or ten people yelling at me, that's a lot of people, but compared to how many people are actually showing up at the pool and how many are wanting guests, I could go either way. I don't know that we need them, but at the same time, we're not hitting capacity. To give you some more knowledge, we talked about this with your sister district and they said no, we want to stay with how we're operating and they're not going to do guests.

Mr. Davis stated if things are running smoothly, and it sounds like they are, and you're getting compliments on how things are going I would say if it's not broke, don't fix it.

Mr. Thomas stated I'd like to reiterate what Chad said. I've been getting nothing but compliments on how Jay has been handling the pool situation. I don't think I've gotten as many compliments since the Christmas cards were sent out, so I think we're doing a fantastic job. I don't think we need to change anything right now.

Mr. Horton stated I agree with that.

Ms. Nelsen stated that works for me.

Mr. Soriano stated it does affect one thing I was planning for rentals. If we're going to be allowed to do the birthday party rentals, that creates a problem because people want to come to the pool. We're only going to have about a month left of this because kids are going to go back to school. We've already lost revenue this year and it's not going to affect us that much, but that would have been the only thing that really allowed that to come back. If we can't allow them to bring guests then not to many people are going to rent for birthday parties so I do want to forewarn that part, because I will be looking into August or September opening up the club room to do things like a baby shower or wedding shower or something like that. I wanted to mention that when we do those things, not only do they have to have limited capacity, but I am working on adding agreements that they have to sign, kind of like waivers, because I have concerns that, let's say we rent it out. Your room is probably not as big of a deal as this room, but we do still have some of those requirements under some of those orders that we're required to follow those CDC guidelines saying if I have a known positive case here, I have to shut the building down to sanitize and clean. Let's imagine that happens on a Friday night. Here I have to wait until Saturday and that's not going to happen and unfortunately that's going to cause a

lot of problems, so I had to have that added into a contract. If that happens, I'm going to get a threat or something. Your facility is a couple hundred bucks for rentals and is typically going to be a little reunion or baby shower and would probably be more understanding than a wedding, but we still have that in place.

Mr. Horton asked have you talked about opening up?

Mr. Soriano stated yes, probably next month. It would be 50% capacity and it would only be with those added understandings that it may need to be canceled the night before because I just don't know.

Mr. Lanier asked would we have to be concerned with out of town guests, kind of like we are with the pool?

Mr. Soriano stated with the club room they don't get to use the pool there, so you are kind of limited. What we can do with that for a small room is require a guest list. They should be reporting we had a party here this weekend and we found out today somebody had a positive case and I'll have to shut that room down. That is a concern and it's one more thing that tells me, do we really need to do it? At the same time, we want these things for our residents, and I have to figure out sooner or later how we get back to it.

Ms. Nelsen asked the foggers that are being used at schools, are they affordable?

Mr. Soriano stated they're expensive, but I've already looked at purchasing one. The hard part is, there's not a lot to be had. It's a slow manufacturing process but it is something I can afford, and I have looked at that for the fitness centers. We have opened the fitness centers and that is a big contact point. I also have fears whether the residents will actually tell me if they get sick or not. Right now, we're just doing the normal wipe down with bleach and water.

Mr. Horton asked what if we waited until September to open up?

Mr. Soriano stated that's not a problem if that's going to be the direction. I don't know that it's needed, but at the same time we know we're going to open up sooner or later so how do we go about that.

Mr. Horton stated the other thing I'm thinking about is some of the problems in the state and all over with bars and ability to maintain. Maybe if you did open up in September maybe you want to say there will be no alcohol.

Mr. Soriano stated we could do that. We actually have limits on alcohol right now.

Mr. Lanier stated just yesterday we had a record number of COVID cases. It might be better to push it to maybe September.

Mr. Soriano stated I'm good with waiting for another month and at the next meeting we can talk about it again. I can Wanda we're waiting because she gets that question every day. I have the bold lettering on the website when you click on rentals it says, until further notice, but she does have some of those rentals that are looking for August and they call every single day. We just don't know, so we don't have a good answer for them and that's the hard part.

Mr. Lanier stated I'd like to push it to September.

Mr. Soriano stated going with that, I have two things that are a bit contradictory. The first one would be our vendor fair lady. She was planning on having that Easter event and I did cancel her out because we shut down everything then. She has come back to me and started to ask for an event as things are starting to open back up and I told her no, we're holding off right now because we're not even doing our own events. I do think we would be able to get back to something like a movie on the green because families can spread out. Some of our other events, maybe not so much. In fact, I'm going to have to figure out a way to cut out one of our favorites, Cocoa with Claus. We have no Santa and I can't really get one. I'd be nervous at this point if I could find one that agreed to it and I had to cancel that event after setting it up. That's a very hard conversation to have with kids so some of those events I think I'm going to have to change.

Mr. Horton asked when is this expo?

Mr. Soriano stated she would like to do one in October and really her concern is planning with the vendors. She wants to have some kind of direction whether she can start planning or not.

Mr. Davis asked how much time does she need?

Mr. Soriano stated she wants as much time as possible. I did tell her we were meeting tonight, and I would talk about it. She really wanted to come here, and I told her she could if she wanted but I would bring it up. Our concern is we just don't know. I spoke to your sister district because she does do the one that's in the fall and the one that would be the following month, she did it here last year and it worked out well. What they've said is they will allow her to go ahead and put it together, but she has to have that understanding that it could be the day or the week before that we end up having to tell her to cancel if we don't feel comfortable with

the size of the event or it not matching with some of the rules that are put in place by the State and the County at that time. We don't know. Right now, she has a lot of things that she has given to me that she would put on the vendors and people attending to try to keep them in those social distancing rules and guidelines.

Mr. Horton stated I don't think that could be managed properly. To me, that is canceled for this calendar year. To me it sends the wrong message to people here. Just start in the spring and see what happens. Hopefully there's a solution.

Mr. Soriano stated like I said, your sister district has said they will let her go with her planning for the Thanksgiving one that would be here, but with the understanding that she could get canceled out.

Mr. Davis asked so she wanted to do one in October and November?

Mr. Soriano stated she wanted to do the one in October to make up for the Easter one on your property because we had approved her to do the Easter one on your property.

Mr. Davis stated me personally, I'm fine with letting her plan for October with the understanding that we may have to cancel it on short notice. She's doing one in November anyway, so I say let her go with that. Is doing two back to back going to really be beneficial?

Mr. Soriano stated there's other things involved there. I know she charged her vendors for the first one and that becomes a big issue right now when it comes to refunds. Everyone is dealing with those type of things, so I think she's also getting push from her vendors and the food trucks and things like that. We're not doing events, so there's no outlet for them, so I think it's not just her, it's a lot of other people, but at the same time, we're going to stay safe and conservative here then I agree about doing an event like that.

Mr. Davis stated I hate to turn anything like that down, but I feel like if she can refund them or work with them on whatever fee in November just as well as she can in October.

Mr. Soriano stated I can tell her to forgo the October one and really focus on the November one and hopefully things will go well.

Mr. Horton asked Don, you're a respiratory therapist, right? What do you think about this thing? Is it dangerous or what?

Mr. Don Long stated as far as masks, I wear an N-95 all day and all shift for 12 hours working with patients and stuff and I'm still antibody negative so apparently that part works even though the data is not inclusive yet on masks and social distancing. The cases are up and

the tallies are going down and actual hospitalizations are going down, so everything is going down even though case numbers are going up. The age is going down so younger people are becoming positive. At any event that you're in close contact with people there's always that risk of spread and it's harder to do something with it afterwards than it is to plan for it and try to prevent.

Ms. Nelsen stated right now I'd say we say no. We're happy to address it again in August.

Mr. Davis stated absolutely, things could change. We said the ballfields were closed until July 31st and then three days later the Governor and Jacksonville Mayor opened them up on Friday.

Mr. Soriano stated the other thing that is a bit contradictory to that direction is that we do have some issues operationally, we've tried to stay as safe as possible, but they create other issues. Things like umbrellas on the tables at the pool. We took a lot of that stuff out. In fact, there was a recommendation back when we started this to take all the chairs away and they can bring their own chairs to sit in. It's cleaner like that. We went to limiting the number of chairs and we clean them. Even things like all the tables and umbrellas, it's hot right now. We have all of the water fountains taped off and I've watched adults rip through the plastic to get to the mouthpiece and realistically, the safety issue to me is how hot is out there so I'd almost rather go around those plans and just clean it more and try to be safe. There are a couple things we will do that seem contradictory to those operation aspects, but I think we're going to have to do them and there are organizations that are saying water fountains shouldn't be available. In different places we will follow those different recommendations, but I still want to run it through you guys to make sure everybody is aware.

Mr. Horton stated I thought you turned the water off.

Mr. Soriano stated there are some that I'm able to cut the breaker, but some just have a surge protector underneath and some people have figured out how to turn it back on. The nice one that we installed over at the pool at Double Branch, when we turn it off the two bottom ones don't work, but you can still use the upper one where you put the water bottle, which is at least cleaner. The mouthpiece one is the one I'm worried about. They do operate a little bit differently, so we covered them in plastic bags and caution tape.

Ms. Nelsen stated at some point it's just ridiculous, we can't protect everybody.

Mr. Davis stated and you also can't tell somebody they can't have any water when it's 105 degrees outside.

Mr. Don Long stated I would think that would be more of a risk of heat exhaustion.

Mr. Soriano stated moving on, there are a couple of items on the maintenance side I want to go through. The first one is the waterfall is still down and we have been working on it. I have replaced a lot of seals and gaskets. There are three 10-horsepower large pumps that are up there that operate the waterfall and every one of them has little leaks everywhere so I'm having to go through and replace various parts on every single one of them, but it is operational. I can turn it on and right now we're having a lot of electrical surges. It seems like every week we're having something, so the problem with those air leaks is the pumps don't run all the time, but when we have a surge it shuts it down and it takes an hour or more to get these things up. My maintenance guys end up dealing with that waterfall a lot and it cuts into their time too, so I'd rather just go ahead and fix it. So far, the first one has cost me about \$2,000 in seals, gaskets and replacements and I have three of them. I can do them piece by piece, but it's easier if I just come to you and ask for \$6,000 and go ahead and get it done.

Mr. Davis asked so one is fixed?

Mr. Soriano stated one is pretty much up. It's got everything pretty much brand new. Hopefully I only need \$2,000 or \$4,000, but there is some cushion in case I need anything else.

On MOTION by Mr. Davis seconded by Ms. Nelsen with all in favor an amount not to exceed \$6,000 to rebuild and repair the waterfall pump was approved.

Mr. Soriano stated the next open item is SMS service. This is something I would be able to do on my amount, but I did want to talk to you guys. A couple of years ago we started using Twitter Fast Follow for the pools when we had to close for thunder or lightning. It was a great service by Twitter, because we did not have to have a Twitter account. There's a lot of people that don't want Twitter and this allowed them to just use their phone as long as you could get SMS text messaging you could sign up for your phone. We had thousands of people on this service. Somewhere in the middle of summer last year, Twitter stopped that. We really didn't notice that much. Every now and then we would get complaints that people didn't get a message. Twitter went to requiring an account to do it. There are paid services we can use that

do notifications like that and I think that would be the way to go. There are some free services such as what the school uses, but it still requires you to sign up in certain ways and I'd rather have a set number they sign into with their phone and it just sends them a text update. We do have a lot of people that do not want to use any sort of social media, they just want to have a text message on their phone.

Mr. Davis asked what is the cost?

Mr. Soriano stated they are all over the board right now. I'm looking at something that might be \$1,000 to \$1,500 a year if we're not sending a lot of texts, because a lot of times it is based on how much we're sending out. It's kind of like our email service. We do pay our email service and it is set up by how many emails I'm sending out. Right now, I think it's at \$39.99 per month so we're not at a \$1,000 for the year, but it's going to follow along that type of payment method. I'm not looking to do anything expensive, but it won't be a free service if we want to continue that type of notification out at the pools, which I think is helpful.

Ms. Nelsen asked it would be split between the two districts?

Mr. Soriano stated yes. We do split the emails.

Mr. Soriano continued; the last update is on the playgrounds. I was hoping to have a delivery date, but there are two units that are coming to use that are under the not to exceed by about \$5,000. I have looked at Silver Bluff's playground and taking that out, but with your blessing I'd like to use that extra money left over to powder coat those items on a third unit. I've taken inventory of the one that we have taken down. Other than some of the platforms, I think we would be able to powder coat and reuse just about everything. Of course, all of the slides and everything like that, even the slide that was damaged at Natures Hammock was damaged due to the platform, not the slide. This would change the total a bit. I would just put it under the normal hourly cost for these maintenance guys and I'm not looking to do this all in one month either. The invoice for the two units right now is \$25,999 so we do have \$4,000 left because the not to exceed was \$30,000 so if you guys want, I will use that extra to do things like powder coating. We also have a small toddler playground that we did out of wood and we can actually expand the playgrounds that way. It would really be up to how much work you guys want to do but I can use the extra \$4,000 to do that instead.

Mr. Davis stated I think that's cool as long as there is room for it.

Mr. Soriano stated there are some of our playgrounds that are pretty large. In fact, the Nature's Hammock one I do have a bit of a problem with the way it's designed. It goes backwards, so behind the trees there is a long area of grass where we don't have anything. The kids play games back there and I always get complaints from the residents because they end up knocking out the fence, so maybe trying to find a way to spread something out. I hate to take away a space for them to play football, but there is still room up front, it's just that area is perfect, and it's hidden behind everything. It would be a perfect spot to spread the playground out.

Other than that, just to update you guys, there were two concrete trucks earlier. One did send me a picture, so the foundation should be laid today. It is not in this report because we are just starting it. Our bridges there at the multiuse fields, on the two sides of the bridges, it looks like they probably had two different companies working on this at the time. The one side took care of the walkway to the bridges. The footer going up to the entry of the bridge is actually designed different. On the other side, it's just a three or four-inch slab of sidewalk that goes up. The problem with that is we've started to see erosion around the embankment and the sidewalk side is slipping down onto the bridges so I was getting complaints that the metal kickplate that we have out there was starting to stick up and we would go out there and tighten it up, bend it down and knock it into place, then we noticed more and more that the slab started sinking.

Ms. Nelsen stated I think it collapsed one time.

Mr. Soriano stated it's just on the outsides. If you look at the one bridge that is over at the Cottages, it looks like it's been redone. That footer is actually about 12 to 14-inches deep and then it goes down to the regular sidewalk slab as you walk out. Those other two bridges were not like that, so we did go ahead and break those up, so nobody injures themselves.

SIXTH ORDER OF BUSINESS

Audience Comments / Supervisors' Requests

Mr. Davis stated I was wondering if you have an update on the \$10,000 a day fine Robert Patton wants us to pay?

Mr. Soriano stated we're not getting fined. We are the owners of that property and we do follow the same rules, but it is done a little bit different and it is not us dumping. VerdeGo does not dump back there. We did at the front, if you're familiar with that area, drop a lot of pine branches and you can actually still see it under some of that other stuff to block other

people from walking back there. If you go back you can tell that's personal property, and in fact there are a lot of palm tree fronds back there. Some are from species that we don't even own. I took pictures of this and sent it to St. Johns, so they understood they felt comfortable, but I'm not sure what Mr. Patton's angle was. He has not talked to me about it since then.

Mr. Davis stated I'm just wondering if he was on the same page or if things were understood.

Mr. Soriano stated I have been told that communication has stopped so I don't know if he's still trying to push it with anybody or maybe he went above her head, but I have worked with that lady before that was involved in the email that I forwarded to you guys. She does contact me whenever there's issues with a resident that really wants a tree cut in a preserve area. She can actually give us permission to do certain things back there and she has sent me an email giving us permission if we want to do something with the fence.

Mr. Horton stated I talked to Jay about this yesterday. I went out and looked at it and I have some recommendations for that. Obviously, it's not us dumping it and VerdeGo is not doing it. It's some homeowner doing it. There are five or six piles of palm fronds and stuff back in there. I think if people walk back in there it looks like we condone that dumping, which we definitely do not, so number one, I think we need to clean it up. Have you talked to VerdeGo about that?

Mr. Soriano stated I did. Chalon has given me an amount of about \$1,250. They are little piles, but it is a lot of piles so it's just labor intensive.

Mr. Davis asked won't it just deteriorate?

Mr. Soriano stated people do walk back there and those trails are well formed so they're not going away anytime soon.

Mr. Horton stated my suggestion was extend the white fence near the lake so you can't get a yard tractor back there or something like that. On the middle one, I'd suggest you put some kind of simple gate there so our guys can get back in there to do things when they need to. There's a third trail in there that looks like it's semi overgrown that comes right from the playground. That one maybe two or three posts could do it. I think that would be a solution. Some of the neighbors have been complaining about the piles of stuff back there.

Mr. Davis stated surely they're seeing somebody taking it back there.

Mr. Horton stated yes unless they're there early in the morning or in the evening.

Mr. Lanier stated even if they do see it, they may just think it's VerdeGo or the CDD and not think much about it.

Mr. Horton stated because VerdeGo did put the sticks in there, so they see them doing that and think they're dumping the rest of it and they didn't. If we leave it there it's like we're condoning it.

Mr. Soriano stated just to clarify that part, we have actually done that ever since DTE was here. I have trails that go back in those preserves. I work with St. Johns and we really do not want them back there in those preserve areas. It's supposed to be left completely natural, even just to bird watch, so we have over the years blocked off areas and we've been pretty good about getting on DTE or R&D, and now I've talked to VerdeGo about keeping it on the right of way natural area, not the preserve and they did a pretty good job of marking it back. It does add to so many things. At least now, we're not getting the big trash piles. I haven't had to pull a couch out of there in a while. We do get some trash, but right now it's just clipping and trees.

Ms. Suchsland stated there's an office chair back there now.

Mr. Davis asked so some fencing, like split rails?

Mr. Soriano stated okay. I can do the split rail. If we do the solid it won't match what is over there at the pond. It would stop people a little more than the split rail would, but the split rail would match and that is going to be well under \$1,000. We actually have a lot of that split rail so we could do that part.

Mr. Davis asked signs, such as no dumping?

Mr. Soriano stated we can put up signs. It really depends on how much you guys want to do with costs. I hate to have to spend any money due to people's bad decisions, but we already know that's what we end up doing a lot of times to try to fix it. If we do decide to spend money to clean up the piles that are there now, that does add up. It's a few thousand bucks to do everything.

Mr. Horton stated if we're going to have them clean it up, I think we need to coordinate it for the day that you put the fencing up because they could just dump again if we clean it up before we put then fencing in.

Mr. Soriano stated like I said, I have the supplies since we've taken down split rails in other areas and bought extra at times where we've put them up around the ponds to stop people

from parking. If you want to do the higher fencing, that's different because we're going to have to purchase a lot of that. I keep a couple rails and some of the lattice work, but I don't have whole fences.

Mr. Davis stated I'm not as concerned with cleaning it up. Obviously, if there's any furniture we want to get that out of there.

Mr. Lanier asked does the split rail go on the end of two entrances?

Mr. Soriano stated I'll probably stretch it into the trees a little bit so they can't go around it. I measured out a good 60-feet. The other one is back on the entry from the playground side, so I didn't measure that one out.

Ms. Suchsland stated that actually has brush in front of it and that's closing up.

Mr. Soriano stated I don't think anybody has been going through that way in a while, but they have in the past.

Mr. Horton asked we're still talking about keeping lawn tractors out there, right? I think it's okay for people to go back in there and fish and walk their dogs.

Mr. Soriano stated I don't give permission for it and when people ask me, I tell them they're not supposed to be back there. We have that sign for keeping people out of areas where the houses are right behind the split rail, they can go back there, but I don't tell them they can go back in the preserve area. There are trails that go way back there. There's some that go all the way to the back of that pond so you can go back there pretty far. We didn't create it and it's not a recreational area so I don't tell people they can go back there for liability reasons. I don't agree they should be back there. If we're going to clean it up and do anything different, then we can go that route. It's private property nature.

Mr. Horton stated there's the trail back here.

Mr. Soriano stated that's one we've actually spent money on. We've built a boardwalk and things like that. The other thought would be if we actually wanted to make that a nature walk area. That might be an easy amenity to add. We're constantly looking at different things. We'd have to trim out a lot of that overgrown brush so that's just labor intensive. Those trails are kind of compact and they're not going anywhere. We might have to add a little bit of mulch to keep it even so no one is tripping back there, but it could be a spot to walk.

Mr. Davis stated then we're going to get that there are teenagers hanging out back there and we need security or to block it off.

Mr. Soriano stated it could be one more route to take care of that problem. Nobody would be dumping back there if people are walking back there. I don't always agree with it, but it may fix it. I'm still looking for a place to put a dog park. That is a big area on Waverley that does nothing. It's just trees and overgrown area. For now, addressing just do we want to spend money to fence, clean up and add signs, what do we do?

Ms. Nelsen and Mr. Davis stated fence. Ms. Nelsen asked do you think we should clean it up? You're the one that's getting complaints.

Mr. Soriano stated I don't agree on spending money due to someone else. I hate to clean it up because a lot of times they feel like they got away with it. My problem is we're going to spend money to dig a fence so they're going to see us doing that work and they're going to see we left the rest of the stuff so I know the lady that lives on the corner that was complaining to me and Rob originally about this will end up complaining that we just left all of the stuff. It's not a lot, \$1,250. I hate to spend it, and I don't agree with it, but I'm already taking the time to go put the fence in.

Mr. Lanier asked will the \$1,250 include whatever garbage is back there?

Ms. Suchsland stated no, that's just for the debris that we can put through the chipper.

Mr. Soriano stated I'll get the chair.

Mr. Thomas stated let me get some clarification since there's some back and forth. We're talking about spending money on something that we don't own.

Ms. Nelsen stated we do own it. That's the problem. They dumped it illegally on our property, so we want to clean it up and put the fence in so they can't get back there and do it again.

Mr. Soriano stated both of the amounts are under my amount, but really, I need some clear direction on whether you guys want to pay for cleaning up and for a fence?

Mr. Davis stated I'm good with the fence.

Ms. Nelsen stated he's going to be dealing with complaints. Do it right one time and move on.

Mr. Lanier asked can we promote the overgrowth of those entrance areas or that one entrance area?

Mr. Soriano stated we could, but I think it would take a good amount of planning and prep out there because it's so worn down so that may cost more than \$1,000. We'd have to plant some pretty good stuff out there.

Mr. Lanier stated I'm just talking about that one entrance where the fence is going to go. Put something behind there and let it grow. I'm not talking about the whole trail.

Mr. Soriano stated we've done a lot of Ligustrum's behind the split rails. We can look at that.

Ms. Suchsland stated you do have another option with using some of your contractual. I only did half of the spring planting so we're looking at fall planting, so if you want to use some of that money towards that.

Mr. Davis asked it wouldn't be too much, right? We're just talking about right where the trails are and it's about six-feet wide.

Ms. Suchsland stated I would definitely pick larger ones.

Mr. Soriano stated that's kind of like what we did over in Nature's Hammock to block people from parking up there by the playground and they're grown pretty well, and people have stopped parking there.

Mr. Lanier stated they can get in between the fence and the preserve basically.

Mr. Soriano stated that's where we've been going and when they cut the grass, they generally go in that side too.

Mr. Davis stated so if we do all this, is someone still going to be able to get in on that side? Can we put a post and a chain in?

Mr. Soriano stated when I bring the big ranger and we have, say a trailer and we have to get through to do a lot of work, like when we remove couches, we bring that with us so we're not actually carrying a couch out onto the roadway. We do have to pull the split rail out. It's not that hard, but yes, somebody else can figure out how to pull the split rail also.

Mr. Horton stated maybe you want to consider putting a gate in the middle then.

Mr. Lanier stated maybe it's making that point to the people and we see how that works and we don't have to worry about it. Maybe that fence in the middle will be enough to say, they're making a statement, and then if they continue, we can consider extending the fence into the front of the lake. We can see how that goes and address it then.

Ms. Nelsen asked what do you think the not to exceed needs to be?

Mr. Soriano stated I would say let's do something like \$3,000 when I'm considering plants and everything.

On MOTION by Ms. Nelsen seconded by Mr. Davis with all in favor an amount not to exceed \$3,000 for fence installation, clean-up and plants was approved.

Mr. Horton asked on your maintenance section of your report it says, train new CPO's for pool tech services.

Mr. Soriano stated yes. You didn't see it as much last year, but I did have an issue with one of our pool cleaning companies that just wasn't paying enough attention and they did let one of our motors go underwater during a storm. It was one of my guys that found it. I'm kind of getting tired of their services lacking and we pay pretty good money for that service. I still have RMS that does a lot of work here, and then I keep Crown on as our pool contractor when we have major problems like the pool leaks and things like that. I did get rid of Crystal Clean. It worked out well, I started training lifeguards and many of those were older lifeguards that are gone now so I have brand new kids. They have been working all this year since spring break as CPO's, but they finalized their certification this last month so I can pay them a little better, so it's all in house for daily cleanings.

Mr. Horton asked CPO stands for what now?

Mr. Soriano stated Certified Pool Operator. So for the daily cleaning, doing things like backwashing the pool, adding chlorine and telling me when I need to order more baking soda or anything like that, they do that and they've done a pretty good job because our health department has been here now three times this summer and they're happy. These guys love it because they're high school and college age and they're looking to build their own business and do residential pool cleanings so they're happy they can do that training here.

Mr. Horton stated somebody was concerned about some dead pine trees on the Cannon's Point roundabout.

Ms. Suchsland stated yes.

Mr. Horton stated so you know about that. The concern was a limb came down and almost hit this lady's daughter, so I wondered about that. The picture she put on there showed a lot of dead trees.

Ms. Suchsland stated there's a few more. They keep dying off over in there, but one of them actually came down in this last weekend's storm.

Mr. Horton asked can we take them out if they're dead?

Mr. Soriano stated yes, some of them that are far enough back. We do have a lot of dead trees out there. Usually we get ones that are near the sidewalk.

Mr. Horton stated I got the impression it was at the roundabout, so I got the impression it was near the walkway.

Ms. Suchsland stated if you go down Cannon's Point off the school road and make the right it's on that side.

Mr. Soriano stated we will look at it. Chalon has done a pretty job of getting on a couple of them this last month and you'll see the bills in there from where we've taken them out.

Mr. Thomas stated how about that big tree limb across the street from the park at the entrance of the Oaks, where people used to park their cars?

Mr. Soriano stated I know they were cutting some off that tree last week.

Ms. Suchsland stated we will get that. Our chainsaw broke down so it's at the mechanic, but we will get that this week.

Mr. Thomas stated on the fence problem, a \$0.99 sign that says you're on camera will stop the dumping.

SEVENTH ORDER OF BUSINESS

Next Scheduled Meeting

Mr. Perry stated the next scheduled meeting is August 10, 2020 at 6:00 p.m. at this location and that will be the budget adoption.

EIGHTH ORDER OF BUSINESS

Adjournment

On MOTION by Mr. Davis seconded by Ms. Nelsen with all in favor the meeting was adjourned.


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