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LOOKING FOR BIDS!

Looking for an experienced contractor with a backhoe to bid on culvert creation and removal projects.

Contact : Joe or Neal

FALL MEETING MINUTES/SUMMARY

Our annual fall meeting was held at the Park on Sunday November 7th. Thank you, to all who attended & participated. Bullet points of discussed items are below, with a more in depth review of some of the topics on the additional pages following..

- There will be 2 officer positions available for nomination next year—President, and VP of Parks. Robert (the current president will not be running in 2005).
- RVA Finances are in good shape. (see pg 4)
- 911 addresses are now in effect, homeowners should

use their 911 address on all mail & deliveries & install appropriate address signage (which can be purchased from Wal-Mart) to assist emergency services.

- Over 80 tones of gravel has been laid on the roads this year. (see pg 3)
- Culverts –need to be cleaned for the winter, leaves need to be removed by homeowners.
- Existing snow plow needs to be replaced. Since the meeting a truck (with plow) has been purchased at a great price.
- Suggestion made by a member to put up an equipment

shelter (pole shed) on RVA land near the mailboxes for RVA equipment - Since the meeting clearing of space has begun to park RVA vehicles.

- Jefferson County ATV Law applies to RVP roads - verified by Sheriff Boober. (see pg 2)
- The Park will need closer monitoring next year due to ongoing issues. (see pg 3)
- Childrens Shelter committee formed to investigate alternate locations(See pg 1)
- rvp-wv.org website and discussion board is up and running.

RVP DISCUSSION ITEMS

In the interest of open communication, the following pages contain discussion items - some of which were discussed at the Fall Meeting and others that have been communicated to the Board over the summer/fall seasons. The Board receives numerous comments, opinions & complaints regarding many different items - some items do not fall under the scope of the Board or the Association, but are listed for the benefit of the community. We encourage all Association Members to be part of the solutions. Please contact any of us directly, and/or use the interactive features of our web site rvp-wv.org.

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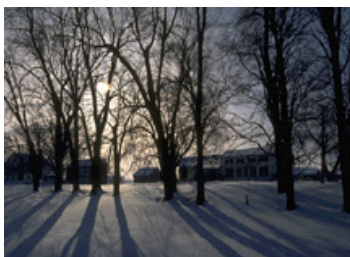
As discussed at the meeting it is important that the parents (& students) effected be part of the solution. The board members are participating as guides in this process.

Some ideas have been discussed up on the website discussion board. Here are some points to consider:

1. We are going to have to be creative,
2. The buses will not drive on our roads
3. The students need to be in a safe area from all traffic
4. Land for a shelter will have to be donated by a homeowner or bought by the association (if not already owned) and appropriate documentation filed.

CHILDRENS SHELTER COMMITTEE FORMED

At the Fall Meeting we asked for a volunteer to head a committee to investigate alternate solutions for a shelter. We had 1 volunteer.



5. Monies for this project would have to be approved by the association membership.
6. Some type of self monitoring should/would be put in place to ensure accountability regarding behavior, shelter cleanliness etc
7. It would be great to get better traffic flow during the drop-off/pickup times a suggestion from the Fall meeting was having 1 way traffic on Mt Vista and Antler during these times (of course road improvements would be needed
8. Any changes to the Bus Stop pick-up/drop-off location would have to be approved by the Jefferson County Department of Education

Here is a summary of events as we know them, based on various phone calls and discussions with a wide range of people:

The location and use of the land that the bus shelter was on was generously donated by a home owner many years ago. The land is not owned by the association it is private land. Over the years there have been several complaints regarding the shelter:

- Trash being left in & around the shelter
- Loud & Obnoxious behavior,
- Loitering & suspicious activity (potential drug deals) especially at night.
- The danger of having waiting vehicles parked on both sides of the entrance (especially in winter)

From the time the new homeowners moved into our community in March of 2004 they had to deal with the same issues as the previous owners.

On September 21, 2004, after the homeowner addressed an issue directly with the students at the shelter, one student used profane language at the homeowner. Within an hour of the incident, the board received many calls regarding the situation, and calls continued throughout the day. The parents of

the student were made aware of the incident.

Members of the Board met with the homeowner. The message was made clear and they wanted the shelter removed immediately. An agreement was reached to wait until after the issue could be discussed at the Fall Meeting. During the period from September 21 to October 20 the land owner was forced to endure further verbal abuse, early morning pranks and more trash. Enough was enough, the shelter was torn down on October 23, 2004. A detailed report can be found at rvp-wv.org/shelter

The abuse still continues against the homeowner as recently as this week.

SCHOOL BUS STOP

The bus stop location has NOT been changed and students are to continue to follow the instructions of their Parents, Legal Guardians.

Students are to follow the regulations stipulated by the West Virginia department of education while at the bus stop.

Parents should use "reasonable judgment" regarding parking, and note the interpretation of "legal responsibility for safety" read the details at rvp-wv.org/shelter

VEHICLES/EQUIPMENT PARKED ON THE ROADS

Until changed, there are no clear regulations in the Association Covenants or By-Laws regarding parking vehicles on the community roads in River View Park except during maintenance upon, over, across and through the roads. The Association maintains the roads 10' from center in most locations in our community. The State maintains 15' from center on Mission Road

In the interest safety, your neighbors and road maintenance, it is very important that vehicles be parked on your property and not the community roads, especially during the winter.

Any registered or unregistered vehicle can be towed at owners expense if parked on the roads during maintenance activity.

Road issues & needs can be discussed with the Board directly or on rvp-wv.org/roads

EXTERIOR HOME TIDINESS

Whatever your reason for living in this community, I bet the natural resources, beauty and quietness were among the factors that helped you decide to live here. The appearance of your property contributes to the overall value and well being of our entire community. It is up to each of us to do our part in keeping RVP a great place to live. Each land owner is bound by the provisions and restrictions set forth in the covenants incorporated with their deed. The board has received calls from community members new and old about the "condition" of some of the properties. One appraiser visiting a property for refinance is quoted as saying "you have a really nice house, but its what you have to drive thru to get here that is the problem"...

If you feel that "things should be cleaned up" in some trouble spots in our community speak up. rvp-wv.org/beauty

ATV LAW APPLIES TO RVP

The ATV law passed by the Jefferson County Commission applies to ALL roads in Jefferson County. The Jefferson County Sheriff has already enforced the law in our community, and stands ready to respond to your request if you call in a complaint.

Neal (Board Treasurer), visited with Sheriff Boober to get clarification on this issue due to complaints and inconsistency in response from county officers. If you have a complaint regarding and ATV call the sheriff, they will do 1 of 2 things: 1. they will make a phone call to the offending persons 2. They will visit the home of the offending person & prosecute according to the law.

Visit rvp-wv.org/atv for details

SUSPICIOUS ACTIVITY!

All suspicious activity anywhere in the neighborhood (including the park) should be reported to the police first and the Board second. Any residents interested in forming a neighborhood watch group &/or participating in the Safety Patrol. Please contact Neal at: 724-1056 ext 308 or log onto rvp-wv.org/safety

GYPSY MOTH SUPPRESSION

The SGMC sent out their yearly flyers on 9/13/04. These flyers give an update on the gypsy moth situation on the mountain and also ask for contributions for aerial spraying to suppress the gypsy moths. Please do your part to protect the trees on our mountain and send in your contribution this year. Thanks for your support. more information can be found at rvp-wv.org/gypsymoth



IN THE PARK

PARK TRASHERS, GATE CRASHERS!

Unidentified person/s on a regular basis have used the fire pit as a dump.. broken bottles, beer cans, household garbage, cookie sheets, & auto parts (just to name a few), the pit is surrounded by broken glass. Other items left behind included pizza boxes, inflatable rafts & dirty diapers...Need I say more!

The park is for the exclusive use of Association Members & their guests.

Members should escort their guests at all times, unless otherwise pre-arranged with the VP of parks.

This summer, we had a regular unescorted non-member group of (5-10) people use the park. This group had been given the gate combination by a resident! We had complaints about night-time parties in the park which

appear to be connected to this same group.

A child was breaking glass bottles on the boat ramp, a member asked the child to stop, the child gave him a mouthful of nasty words, the child was part of an unescorted group of people (visitors not members), the member cleaned the glass up him self.

The park is a place for all of us to enjoy & is a privilege for those who have property here. It only takes 1 or 2 people to abuse the area and spoil it for the rest of us.

Thank you to the people who volunteered (at and after the Fall Meeting) to help with the park next year. Included in the maintenance plan is the shed & bathrooms.

If you want to help please contact Don or rvp-wv.org/recreation



THE ROADS



Slowly but surely we are making progress with the roads, and as stated before we have many problem areas that are going to take several years to fix. This year we allocated \$3000 to road maintenance, and have put down over 80 tons of gravel. Next year we would like to allocate \$5000 to establish the proper base to work from.

SPEED LIMIT

Drivers please follow these simple suggestions, and the damage to our roads would be greatly reduced.

- Maintain a maximum speed of 15 mph on all roads in River View Park
- Maintain a constant speed when going uphill
- Do not spin your tires
- Use four wheel drive to provide better traction

CULVERTS & DITCHES

As many of you have noticed, the "Road Crew" has been busy marking

and cleaning the culverts under the roads maintained by the Association. The majority of the culverts in the community just need minor work, but we have a few trouble spots to fix before winter. In addition to the culverts under the Association roads, we have several places where a land owner has installed and neglected the culvert under their "private driveway", or they have no culvert at all. In the past maintenance of culverts under private driveways is the responsibility of the land owner. The problems stem from incorrect installation, non-maintenance, damage or blocking the roadside drainage ditch.

Knowing that having better culverts will lead to better roads and less maintenance The Association can improve it's capability to address our culvert issue by buying or renting equipment needed to do the job or hiring an outside contractor to take care of our culvert.

Do your part, keep your culverts and ditches clear. More information and maintenance tips can be found at rvp-wv.org/roads

WINTER PREPERATION

Culverts: Please keep your culvert & drainage ditches on your property clear of debris. If you can not do it yourself or need help please contact the Board.

Vehicles Parked on the Road: it is very difficult to drive the tractor, grader and snow plow around vehicles. Please keep your vehicles on your property and off community roads.

SNOW PLOW

Our snowplow has been artfully kept in running order after many hours of repair work. We are not confident that it will make it thru another season, we discussed buying another vehicle at the Fall Meeting and since then we have found a great truck, with plow for a great price...This snow season we will have 2 plows in operation as long as we can.

Thanks to those volunteers offering their time to plow at the Fall Meeting.

THE TREASURY REPORT



Since I was elected to the position of Treasurer with the Association in November of 2003, I have worked hard with my fellow Directors to resolve the issues presented to us to ensure that River View Park remains a great place to live. I am proud to say that we have reduced the unpaid bill status from 24 in May 2004 to 6.

In River View Park there are: 264 lots, 114 lot owners, 101 Association Members and 92 911 address.

The Board is working very hard to improve our community, we have laid over 80 tons of gravel on our roads, shaped, smoothed and graded them several times this season.

We have worked with law enforcement to enforce the ATV law in our Community.

We have worked with the 911 Address and Emergency Services teams to verify and validate not only our new addresses, but their association with your existing mailbox, and to identify water sources should there be a need to use them in an emergency.

We launched our web site, rvp-wv.org which provides a wealth of information for you to access and interact with.

We have satisfied the requests of several land owners, and have released more liens against property in River View Park.



As a property owner in our community, I want to see our property values increase, to see the roads, culverts and ditches be maintained to a defined service level. I want my family to be safe, I want our children to have fun, I want the beauty of our natural resources to be preserved, and most of all I want to contribute to the community by helping others realize their goals. To accomplish this, I believe that as a community, we must communicate more, update and improve our Covenants and By-Laws and define service level agreements so we can measure our success (and failures).

I want to thank all who paid their fees in a timely manner or had the courage to ask for help! Because of you we have a healthy budget which will allow us to pay for the additional items needed to maintain our community properly. I look forward to planning for our next season, and to continue to make RVP a great place to live.

Neal...

FROM THE SECRETARY

I would like to thank all our members who have offered words of encouragement, constructive criticism & their time.

A special thank you to those at the Fall Meeting who took the time to thank us (the Board) for the progress that we are making...It really means a lot.

It is important that when you have something to say about issues, that you become part of the solution, too many times we expect others to fix a problem but offer no suggestion for resolution. One of the main reasons I became part of the Board is to be part of the solutions.

This current Board has been together for 1 year, and I know that we are moving forward in a constructive way, to better the community. Right now, this is fully focused on road maintenance, the park & keeping the books balanced.

The Board is only 6 people, 2 gals & 4 guys, the roadwork is mainly done by 3 people. We all have full-time jobs, and at least 1 additional activity on top of being a Board member.

Many of you who have served on the Board understand the challenges we face.

There will be 2 Board positions opening next year & we will need to elect new officers in the spring. We need people who are doers, like working in a team, & respects others opinions. We meet monthly & when we need to - every meeting has a purpose. If you can operate machinery that's a bonus if not that's OK. Be part of the RVA Solutions Team become a Board member. If you don't want the commitment, that's fine! why not work with the Board and head up a committee focused on your issue!

Food for Thought: Each day when you leave home & you easily & safely travel our roads, or when you sit down by the Shenandoah in our wonderful park, or when you pick up your mail from our 'private' mail shed, take a little time to think of all the work past & present that goes on behind the scenes, by volunteers to make RVP a great place to live.

Carla...

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