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Continuing Expansion of Mailbox Space

At the Jan. 8 meeting of the SRPOA board of directors, Richard Way is scheduled to present three alternatives for the growing mailboxes.

As more and more property is sold (currently, according to Juanita, only about 90 lots of almost 230 remain unsold) the mailboxes continue to expand down the road at the gate.

Preliminary research has indicated that the metal boxes as seen at apartment complexes may be prohibitively expensive.

We will do further research.

Fold that cardboard! Decrease that size!

With Christmas upon us, residents are asked to break down their cardboard boxes and decrease the size of their garbage as much as possible.

The new garbage pickup is working well, but the increase of boxes, etc., around the holiday season may stretch the capacity of the container past its limits.

Ridge Rambler

Property Owners Resume Road Responsibility

At the board of directors meeting on November 20, the Saddle Ridge Property Owners Association's president Marie Morton and DCA. Inc.'s secretary-treasurer Juanita Davis signed an agreement which places the responsibility for maintaining the roads and the road maintenance funds back with SRPOA.

According to the agreement, a road committee of Jack Davis, Larry Dicus, Bob Frink, Les Jewell and Joel Loy will be working on finding resources to maintain the roads. The change-over in responsibility for the roads will come Jan. 8.

Mrs. Davis presented the board with a request for such a committee and a board of trustees to administer the funds at its meeting on November 20. The roads had been under the care of SRPOA after attorneys for DCA and SRPOA had drawn up an agreement for six months following extensive negotiations and discussions.

During the November board meeting, Mrs. Davis said that DCA had resumed responsibility for the roads when the six months had passed because DCA felt that the roads had been improperly maintained and that as developers DCA wanted to maintain the quality of the past.

Members of the committee responsible for the roads during that period agreed, saying that the committee could never find a

convenient time for all persons to meet, no one was really in charge of the committee and the task was so much greater than any committee member had even imagined.

Following much discussion, the board of directors of SRPOA agreed to serve as a board of trustees for the road maintenance funds. According to the paper presented by Mrs. Davis to the directors, the road committee shouls survey roads, report needs, find qualified people and equiipment to do work - obtain bids from qualified people, get certificates of insurance, oversee work. Check invoices on completed work, approve or correct for payment. Meet once a month at a predetermined time convenient to all.

According to the agreement signed by Mrs. Morton and Mrs. Davis, DCA and SRPOA will discuss the quality of the roadways at the end of this six-month period which begins Jan. 8, and if the quality of the roadways meets expectations, a more permanent agreement will be considered.



Gate Openings Are of Concern

On several occasions recently, residents have returned to the gate area to find it open.

At its Nov. 20 meeting, the board of directors expressed concern about security at Saddle Ridge if the gate is left open.

From now on, any member of the

board who finds the gate open will be closing it.

Any resident who has a need to allow others access to Saddle Ridge is reminded that the gate can be opened using home telephones. Others arriving at the gate can always call using the nearby telephone, and residents

can come lead them to their homes.

One of the reasons most living in Saddle Ridge chose this development is the security allowed by a gate to which access is extremely limited.

Keeping the gate open only negates any security we enjoy.

Elk saga:

Now "Bo" (caregivers for our stag feel his majesty and size no longer allow him to be addressed as "Bozo") has a larger enclosure, thanks to Jack Davis and Larry Dicus and other helpers.

Beth Dicus, one of Bo's most consistent attendants, announced at the board of directors' meeting Nov. 20, that costs of maintaining our elk are mounting. About \$80 a month is required to feed Bo and his young female cohorts (who are now free to roam and pester our

veteran elk female), a cost which until now has mostly been borne by Jack Davis.

A fund has been established by Mrs. Dicus and donations are being solicited. Since the purchase and maintenance of the elk are outside the auspices of SRPOA and are solely voluntary, Mrs. Dicus is asking for donations from anyone who might wish to help defray expenses. Persons may just give the money to Jack Davis.

Mrs. Dicus said that when Bo

loses his antlers in the spring, the rack will be auctioned. Those funds will help further pay for the elks' costs.

We are all reminded that these elk, although fairly friendly under the right circumstances, are still animals, large, large animals.

Although they may not mean to injure any humans or small animals like dogs, they can do so easily.

We should all be cautious and mindful of their size and power.

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