

LAKE TAPAWINGO NEWS

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By John Braden

The morning fog may chill the air

With apologies to Tony Bennett, you could easily leave your heart in Lake Tapawingo. C Cove from D Block, top left; 27 Emerald Shore from 15 Dockside, top right; E Block from 10 Anchor, right, on Oct. 22.



Budget Committee cuts major Clubhouse renovation funds

By John Braden

The Lake Board was scheduled to meet Nov. 1, expecting to receive new bids for a major renovation of the Clubhouse as well as a recommendation from the residents Budget Committee that 2022 work on the Clubhouse be confined only to replacing the aging flooring.

Since the Lake Board reconsidered in September and tabled a motion by Board Member Gary Mallen to spend \$54,000 on cosmetic renovation of the Clubhouse, Board Member Cyndi Willoughby succeeded Mallen as Clubhouse chairman and requested fresh bids for the proposed renovation. Willoughby said she planned to have three new bids to present to the Lake Board at its 7 p.m. Nov. 1 meeting via Zoom video conference.

Meanwhile, a Budget Committee of 11 residents appointed by the board met Oct. 20 to review board members' budget requests for 2022. The Budget Committee is to report its recommended 2022 budget to the Lake Board Nov. 1. The report includes a bottom-line recommendation for Clubhouse renovation next year of only \$17,600 specifically to replace the aging Clubhouse floor and specifically excluding other embellishments.

When the Budget Committee meeting began there was an unspent \$20,000 line item still in the current 2021 budget, which had been earmarked to make Clubhouse bathrooms comply with handicapped access requirements of the Americans with Disabilities Act. That remains in the current year's budget.

Additionally, the initial 2022 budget draft contained another \$20,000 for the Clubhouse, and it was proposed that more money be diverted from "designated funds" -- the Country Club's "savings accounts" -- for use on the Clubhouse. It was proposed that a total of \$40,000 be diverted from designated funds for Beautification, Tree Removal, Silt Basin restoration, Office Equipment and Office Improvements to a new designated fund for Clubhouse Repair.

Clubhouse request increased to \$80,000

Willoughby attended the Budget Committee meeting, telling the panel she intended, by the end of this year, to spend from the \$20,000 item in the 2021 budget for the ADA bathroom improvements. Then she asked for an additional \$80,000 in 2022 for overall Clubhouse renovations.

Willoughby said the \$80,000 would pay for items including new vinyl wood-like flooring, lighting, kitchen and buffet counters, new trim woodwork, boxing in of support poles, ceiling, paneling, painting and an exterior front portico roof, which was previously priced at \$24,000.

Budget Committee members struggled in several areas to stretch Country Club revenues, mainly from property owners' annual assessments, to cover diverse expenses to maintain and operate the lake, grounds, roads and other responsibilities. Committee member Scott Johnson said he was concerned that

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Around the Lake

SYMPATHY

Sympathy to:

Mary Ellen Miller, 37 Anchor, on the death Oct. 5, of her brother, former Lake resident William M. Miller Jr., 70, St. Louis.

Betty Megerson, 110 Beach, on the death Oct. 7 of her sister, Janet Paulette Vornold, 73, Parkville.

BIRTHDAYS

- Nov. 9 Lorri Boydston, 84 Beach
- Nov. 11 Shelly McCanless, 168 Anchor
Brooke Payne, 106 Dockside
- Nov. 15 Dale Blanchard, 4 Clipper
- Nov. 16 Sarah Wilke, 55 Dockside
- Nov. 20 Diane Ayers, 162 Dockside
- Nov. 23 Jayme Dean, 62 Beach
- Nov. 27 Stacy Wharton, 22 Emerald Shore
- Nov. 30 Brenda McIntire, 44 Anchor
Pat Robinson, 81 Dockside

CONGRATULATIONS

- Nov. 1 Ron and Brenda McIntire, 44 Anchor, 52nd wedding anniversary
- Joe Rush, 80 Beach, welcomes great-grandson Connor Sandmark, 8 pounds, 12 ounces, born Oct. 30 to Ryan and Tori Sandmark, Apple Valley, Calif.

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- Jack Merriman, 27 Beach Drive
- Douglass & Crystal Sharp, 70 Beach Drive

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Jake & Morgan Combs	70 Dockside	46 Emerald Shore
Jim & Cindy Johnson	14 Emerald Shore	15 Emerald Shore

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Panel questions spending ‘savings’ from designated funds

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the Clubhouse renovation proposal included designated fund money the board should be saving for future expenses and that the board cannot be spending “everything” the Country Club has.

Committee member Gina Graham Chavez noted there was no money in the designated Silt Fund, which is to be saved for the next dredging project in 20 years. She noted it is expected to cost about \$1 million for the next dredging, meaning the Country Club already should have saved \$50,000 in each of the two years since the last dredging in order to start building up that \$1 million. She said the purpose of saving is to avoid special assessments -- on top of regular annual assessments -- to pay for improvements to roads, the dam, dredging or other big-ticket work.

When asked what it would cost to simply replace the Clubhouse floor, Willoughby said at that point she had one estimate of about \$15,000. After lengthy discussion, the committee voted, 6-5, to approve a motion by committee member Angela Bergner to cut the Clubhouse 2022 line item from \$20,000 to \$5,000. After further discussion, it approved a motion by Johnson to move \$12,600 back into the Clubhouse line item for a total of \$17,600 for the Clubhouse floor and incidental repairs during the year. Prior to that vote, Chavez said the motion should specify the money is not to be used for a portico or “window seats.”

The committee then passed a motion by Johnson to move the \$40,000 in proposed designated funds for the Clubhouse into the designated Silt Fund.

Committee member Mike Stiles was elected chairman of the committee and was expected to present the committee’s recommendations to the Lake Board Nov. 1. The board considers the

Lake Board meets via Zoom in November

The Lake Board is to meet via Zoom video conference again at 7 p.m. on Mondays, Nov. 1 and 15. The Zoom link, which is found at www.laketapawingomo.com, is <https://www.zoom.us/join>; Meeting ID: 856 2087 9761; Passcode: d3TEZ9.

committee report a recommendation that it can keep or change in the final draft budget it is to present to property owners for approval at the annual Budget Meeting at 7 p.m. Dec. 9 at the Clubhouse.

Budget panel operated under Development Co. bylaws

Lake Board President Jayme Dean told the board Oct. 4 she was still researching a claim by John Braden, 45 Anchor, that the bylaws of both the Lake Tapawingo Development Co. and the Lake Tapawingo Country Club continue to govern the Country Club, despite a merger of the two approved by property owners in 2001. Despite some claims that only the Country Club bylaws apply, Braden said the Country Club bylaws contain no budget preparation provisions and that the Country Club continues to operate under the Development Co. budget language (which prohibits expenditures that are not in the budget approved by a vote of the property owners).

In convening the residents Budget Committee meeting Oct. 20, Treasurer Randy Thatcher read aloud the provisions under which the budget process operates, which included several references to the “Board of Directors of the Development Company.”

COUNTRY CLUB BOARD REPORT

Lake Board seeks new Clubhouse renovation bids

The Lake Tapawingo Country Club Board of Directors met Oct. 4 and 18 via Zoom video conference. President Jayme Dean presided Oct. 4; Vice President Brian Smith presided Oct. 18.

Visitors: Paul and Brenda Bowers, 23-C; Renny Buckaloo, 69-B; Sarah Buchanan and Scott Johnson, 16 Anchor; Darren Davis, 22 Clipper; Kevin Hornick, 7 Anchor; Jim Megerson, 110 Beach; Bill and Jennifer Osborne, 1 Beach; Hilary and Joel Peknik, 68 Beach; Jane Quinn, 19 Anchor; John Braden, 45 Anchor; Carol and Darryl McCulloch, Odessa; Colin Banks, Boy Scout Troop 763.

Clubhouse: Board Member Cyndi Willoughby became chairman of the Clubhouse subcommittee after Board Member Gary Mallen stepped down from that post but remained on the subcommittee. She said the proposed Clubhouse renovation would continue to be tabled while she seeks new bids and

encouraged any board member to join her during appointments with contractors.

Willoughby subsequently reported she met with three contractors who were working on renovation bids to be presented to the board at its next meeting at 7 p.m. Nov. 1 via Zoom video conference.

President Dean said the Clubhouse renovation brings up the question of what are the bylaws under which the Country Club is to operate. She said there were established bylaws for the Lake Tapawingo Development Co. and Lake Tapawingo Country Club. She noted John Braden

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Lake Tapawingo Tree Planting Program

First-tier Lake Residents,

The Lake Tapawingo Country Club is introducing a cost-sharing program allowing first-tier residents to purchase trees for planting on Country Club lakefront property for 50 percent of the cost. The program is designed to replenish lost lakefront trees with sturdy long-lived species.

Approved trees (see list below) will be purchased by the Lake Board from Colonial Gardens and residents will then compensate the Country Club for 50 percent of the cost to purchase and plant the trees near their homes.

Types of trees vary in price but average around \$200, and the planting fee is 85 percent of the tree's cost, for a total averaging \$370 for each tree. Residents will then split this cost with the Country Club.

Colonial Gardens will be required to plant the trees to help ensure survival of the young trees. Residents participating in the program will not be allowed to plant the trees themselves.

Trees must be planted on Country Club lakefront property following the rules set forth by the Lake Board. Questions about where to plant the tree should be directed to Lake Board Member Steven Meek.

This program is limited to one tree per address and will be on a first-come, first-served basis. The Lake Board initially has approved the purchase of 20 trees for this program.

Interested first-tier residents can contact Steven Meek at (816) 694-9682 or at stevenmeek203@gmail.com to be placed on the list for tree purchase and planting.

Approved Trees:

Gum (e.g. Black/Sour, Sweet - fruitless)
Locust (e.g. Shademaster, Skyline, Sunburst)

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- * Snake your shower & bathtub drains
- * Flush the garbage disposal with hot water & baking soda
- * Caulk & fill gaps around exterior windowsills, doorsills, and thresholds
- * Gently beat outdoor welcome mats
- * Repair or replace damaged window frames & door screens
- * Check your appliances for frayed wires & replace as needed
- * Have your septic tank checked for backup
- * Check shower & wet areas for mildew

MAPLE WALNUT TWICE BAKED SWEET POTATO

Take sweet potatoes to the next level with this recipe for twice baked sweet potatoes with

maple & walnut topping. The perfect alternative to sweet potato casserole for Thanksgiving!



YOU WILL NEED:

- 4 small sweet potatoes
 - 1/2c greek yogurt OR sour cream
 - 1/2tbsp pumpkin pie spice
 - 1 tbsp maple syrup
 - 3-4 tbsp brown sugar
 - Pinch of salt
 - TOPPING**
 - 2/3c chopped walnuts or pecans
 - 2 tbsp butter
 - 2 tbsp light brown sugar
- SERVES 6**

DIRECTIONS

- Preheat oven to 400F. Pierce potatoes with a fork, place in large baking pan & bake until soft (25-40 minutes).
- Cut each potato in half lengthwise. Scoop out the baked insides. Try to keep skins whole as much as possible!
- Place skins back in baking pan. Mash potato flesh in a bowl until smooth. Mix in greek yogurt, pie spice, maple syrup (and brown sugar if using) and salt. Scoop filling into skins.
- In a separate bowl, mix all topping ingredients (can even add a splash of bourbon)! Sprinkle over the filled sweet potato skins. Bake for 12-15 minutes.
- Drizzle with extra syrup to serve if you like, and serve hot.

WHY IT'S A GOOD TIME TO SELL YOUR HOME

While small signs of the market cooling have emerged, conditions still remain competitive. However, no one knows what the future holds, adding more urgency.

2021 is a good time to sell because:

- Most of the country is still a seller's market
- Supply is inching upward, but it's still tight
- Home prices boomed over the past year, boosting equity
- Conditions won't stay this competitive forever

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Board gives conditional OK to new silt pond restoration bid

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provided information indicating both the bylaws of the Development Company and the Country Club continue to govern the Lake Board since those entities merged. Braden said the board continues to follow Development Company bylaws in preparation and complying with its annual budgets. Dean said she was questioning long-time residents and former board members and was referring back to the board's former lawyer, Kim Roam. She said the board's lawyer has employed a researcher to further examine the correct bylaws. She said there is more to come.

Treasurer's Report: 2022 budget. Vice President Smith said the board voted by e-mail, 13-0 with 1 abstention, to approve appointment of residents to the Budget Committee. Treasurer Randy Thatcher said members are: Angela Bergner, 34 Beach; Dave Brumagin, 80 Anchor; Gina Graham Chavez, 34 Anchor; Kay Coen, 31 Emerald Shore; Morgan Combs, 70 Dockside; Scott Johnson, 16 Anchor; T.J. McGinnis, 102 Dockside; Mike Stiles, 26 Beach; Jane Quinn, 19 Anchor; Phil Vigliaturo, 29 Anchor; Buddy Young, 63 Beach.

Thatcher said the committee meeting was scheduled at 7 p.m. Oct. 20 at the Clubhouse. Board Member Hap Graff suggested board members attend if possible. Thatcher also reminded board members that the deadline for their 2022 budget requests was Oct. 18.

Financial statements. Thatcher said there are two payments to the Internal Revenue Service to clear up 2017 and 2018 payroll taxes. He said there were civil penalties paid to the IRS for past years (2017, 2018 and 2019) payroll filings that were not sent.

Thatcher noted the Sportsmen's Club paid a portion of the Clubhouse and Shelterhouses roof replacements in the amount of \$1,213. Among bills presented was \$30,190 to Seal-O-Matic for road repairs.

Delinquent assessments. President Dean said she has received no additional information from the board's lawyer regarding collections for five severely past due accounts. She said she communicated with a buyer and Realtor regarding a contract for sale of 135-B, one of the homes involved in the collections process. She asked the

Docks and Waterfront subcommittee to locate a dock site on B Block for the property so that once the sale closes, the new owners could begin the process of submitting a dock permit application.

Lake Office: Board Member Kim McReynolds said Lake Office renovation has begun with six weeks being the goal to completion. She said office hours would be limited at times by construction work.

Lake Management: Silt pond. Vice President Smith said HB Construction had submitted a \$57,000 bid to finish restoring the silt pond property but had not returned to complete the work. Smith said he received a \$42,491 bid from Underground Plumbing Pros for the work. He said the contractor told Office Administrator Diana Reyes it would obtain required workers compensation insurance if it were awarded the job. Smith said he also received a \$57,000 bid from Clean Cut Lawn Care. Smith said other vendors told him the job was either too small to bid or work couldn't be scheduled until next year. The board passed, 11-1 with 2 abstentions, a motion by Smith to approve the \$42,491 bid from Underground Plumbing Pros with the stipulation that proof of required insurance coverage is provided.

Smith reported at the subsequent meeting he met with Underground Plumbing Pros to review the scope of work that includes: silt fencing to protect the surrounding roads and property from mud, leveling the field, grading and seeding the area to put the property in an "as was" condition. He said he was satisfied the company can perform the

work and is waiting for a certificate of worker's compensation insurance. He said if that occurs the work might be completed by the end of October.

GFCI testing: Smith said a report on reinspection of dock electrical systems was received by him and forwarded to the Lake Office for follow up. He said the results should be compiled and a report might be given at the Nov. 1 board meeting.

Maintenance: Tree trimming and removal. Vice President Smith said Monster Tree and Rick LaCombe's Tree Service had either completed or were working on tree removals and maintenance approved in September. He said Maintenance Coordinator Matt Kempf had been busy with lake maintenance and had it on his schedule to follow up on four additional trees.

Board Member Clayton Holland said Monster Tree had a tree removal at 20-B that required Kempf to operate the barge for removal by water. President Dean asked whether Kempf could get help during college break from Josh Willoughby who helped with maintenance over the summer. It was noted shrub and tree removal were needed: in the stilling basin below the dam to meet Department of Natural Resources recommendations; at Woods Chapel Gates 2 and 3; and the detention pond above B Cove. Holland said Kempf wanted to wait until the leaves fall before working in the detention pond.

Holland said lakefront trees at 8-C, 20-B, 23-B and 23-A had either been pruned or removed per board approval.

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Unauthorized landscaping halted near new C Cove riprap

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He said a bid from Monster Tree Service was received for removal of a large elm tree with Dutch elm disease in the B Block boat lot. He said the bid was unusually high at \$6,700 and he and Kempf would look into the pricing. He said Kempf was to look at a few more trees this year.

Smith said tree removal and maintenance should be prioritized according to safety issues and ongoing health of the tree regardless of going over the budget. Smith said the board might be reimbursed from the residential property owner for removing a fallen tree at 8-C. Holland said tree removal costs could be taken from the \$18,269 designated funds tree budget. Holland said he would get with Kempf and possibly request an e-mail board vote to continue further tree work.

Smith said Dean is in contact with Kansas City Southern Railway concerning fallen trees from their property that require removal and repair to damaged Lake fencing. He said it is hoped the railroad will reimburse the board for tree removal and fence repairs.

Docks and Waterfront: 30-A. Board Member Susan Stiles said a pergola was installed on a concrete pad in front of a dock at 30-A with no permit application or approval. President Dean said a permit would not be necessary as the structure itself is not allowed at all according to Lake Rules. The board passed, 13-0 with 1 abstention, a motion by Stiles to notify the residents remove the structure within 14 days.

57-B. Stiles noted the board directed Sept. 20 that a replacement dock be moved several inches to meet the requirement for at least 15 feet between docks. Vice President Smith said the neighboring dock for 117-B was installed one year ago and questioned whether that was the dock that had been installed at slightly less than the 15-foot minimum. He said he would speak to Williams Lakefront Construction regarding how to maintain the required spacing.

23-C. President Dean said a permit application for 23-C was submitted in June 2021 to beautify the shoreline. The application was not approved due to the potential damage it could cause, possibly voiding the warranty of the C Cove shoreline riprap project installed by Hills Brothers Construction in 2020. Dean said the residents moved the project rocks anyway to replace PVC pipe that was damaged during the installation of the project. Dean said there was a green space between the project rocks and concrete pad in a previous application but now it has small rocks in that area. It was questioned whether quarantine procedures were followed for the small rocks and how they proposed to hold the rock in place.

Property owners Paul and Brenda Bowers joined the Zoom meeting and told the board that contractor Chad Eickleberry was to bring in rocks the size of the adjacent project rocks to place on top of the smaller rocks to hold them in place. They said he is also supposed to haul in dirt to complete the installation by leveling the disturbed ground so they could seed it. Over the past weekend it was reported to board members that more work was being done by the property owners.

Smith said he had told the property owners to stop work. The property owners submitted a permit

application Oct. 4, for work done over that previous weekend. Prior to having an approved permit, a pump was replaced and a brick perimeter for a new landscape bed alongside the steps was installed and filled with landscape rocks and shrubs.

Dean told the residents they continue to work on projects on Lake property without obtaining permission from the board even after they have been told prior to this event. She said there is a question whether the small rock near the shoreline was properly quarantined for invasive species when the stone was installed, creating even more concern. She said working on Country Club property without a permit and not following invasive species quarantine protocol carry more than enough penalty points to keep a property owner off the lake for a year.

Bowers said Eickleberry is the contractor and knows the quarantine restrictions. He said the board could ask him whether the rock was quarantined. Smith said it is not the board's place to contact each contractor but it is the responsibility of the property owner to follow Lake rules. The property owner was asked to provide the quarantine information to Smith. The board passed, 13-1, a motion by Board Member Gary Mallen to approve completion of a post and railing replacement that had been started over the weekend.

Dean added that a path had been worn into Country Club property for passage of equipment to the site and that a resident has

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Lake Board advances dock, boatlift applications

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been using it for golf cart access to the lake. She said that is not a proper pathway and that golf carts are not allowed passage there.

At the subsequent meeting, Smith said before the board can consider further actions by Paul and Brenda Bowers on the lakefront at 23-C they must contact Eickleberry about the quarantine of the rock that was added at the shoreline during recent work performed without a permit. He said they also must submit pictures, evidence of the location of the property line and a materials list.

30-D. Stiles said an application was submitted to move a boat lift from 55-D to 30-D. She said the space at the side of the dock where the lift is to be installed is 36 feet to the neighboring dock allowing ample room for the 9-foot boat lift. The board passed, 12-0 with 1 abstention, a motion by Stiles to approve the boat lift installation.

24-D. Board Member Jennifer Moran presented an application to replace a ramp at 24-D. Smith asked if the replacement is 50 percent or more of the dock. Moran said it is less than 50 percent. Smith said there is no vote required and the property owner may proceed with the replacement provided quarantine requirements are followed.

50-E. Moran presented an application from James Loneman to replace a total 24-foot-long dock and ramp at 50-E with a 20-foot-long dock and 10-foot-long ramp for total length of 30 feet from the seawall. She said the ramp would be widened from 8.5 feet to 10 feet, which would not create a spacing problem. She said she told Loneman that Lake rules state the ramp and dock can be no longer than 25 feet causing Loneman to propose shortening the ramp to 5 feet, keeping the overall dock to 25 feet long. Moran said the current dock already extends farther into the lake than neighboring docks. Moran moved to approve the application with the condition that the ramp be 5 feet long for an overall length of 25 feet. Stiles asked that the application include a materials list, a revised drawing and a plan for quarantine. Board Member Cyndi Willoughby said the board had agreed not to act on incomplete applications. Moran withdrew the motion and said she would tell Loneman he must submit a new application and supporting information.

179-B. Carol and Darryl McCulloch, owners of vacant lots 147-150 Beach Drive and 177-179 Beach Circle, said they, with their son Thomas, were in the process of replatting the seven lots into two large lots. Ms. McCulloch said there was an uninhabitable house on the property that they have torn down in preparation for construction of their son's house on one of the new lots. She said they later learned they might lose their existing dock space because Lake rules require that there must be a house on the property. She said they have submitted plans to the city and they will begin construction right away of a new home. Board Member Clayton Holland said the board can grant variances to rules if necessary and he doubts anyone would ask for the spot as there are no houses nearby that lack adequate dock space.

Dock identification. Stiles said she noticed a number of new docks without lot and block numbers. She asked that the dock labeling requirement be published in the *Lake Tapawingo News* and on Facebook. Smith noted the Water Patrol surveys docks in the spring for compliance and possible penalty citations.

Railroad Cove dam fishing. Noting crappie fishing season is under way, Board Member Wes Knox asked if fishing will be



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allowed to continue on the Railroad Cove dam, including use of golf carts, due to recent safety concerns of pedestrian traffic in that area.

Municipal Committee: Board Member Steve Meek said the city needs specific addresses for the three no parking signs the board has requested as each one requires its own ordinance in order to be installed and enforced. President Dean said they are replacement signs that have disappeared so the ordinances should have already been established. Meek said he would ask the city to locate ordinances for those signs.

Board Member Clayton Holland said Sgt. Mike Zielinski said residents parking on Lake green space have been warned twice and action would be taken if there are further violations.

Meek asked why no parking signs were installed on straight sections of Clipper Drive just inside Gate 2. Board Members Wes Knox and Randy Thatcher said it appeared that during short periods at sunset and sunrise, motorists cannot see oncoming cars, making that road segment hazardous.

As a result of a request to make Anchor Circle a one-way street, Meek said the joint city-Lake Board Municipal Committee was unsure whether the city or the Country Club had final say on such a decision. With the city and Lake Board declining to pursue a one-way street, Meek said the issue can be reviewed in future.

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All docks must be labeled with owner lot, block numbers

The Lake Board reminds owners of new and existing docks that Lake Rules require that each dock be labeled with the lot and block numbers of the owner. Lot and block numbers must be on the lakeside of the dock in contrasting colors to the background, no less than 3 inches tall.

Failure to comply can result in assessment of 3 penalty points.





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How is volcano mulching affecting my trees?

This is a guaranteed way to stress your trees and possibly kill them. Here are some things that are happening under the surface of volcano mulching.

-  Moisture in the mulch against the tree's bark encourages fungus and rot.
-  Excess mulch creates a barrier preventing water and air from reaching the soil properly.
-  Hair like feeder roots designed to absorb water and nutrients from the soil can remain in the mulched area rather than move into the soil layers.
-  Root flare is the area at the base of a tree where the trunk transitions from trunk and bark tissues into root system tissues. Volcano mulching can cause the root flare to grow improperly or become buried, causing stability issues, poor growth and make the tree more prone to insects, disease, and wind.
-  Tree bark needs sunlight and air to remain hardened, so this practice is similar to leaving a band-aid on a wound way too long.

What does proper mulching look like?

Proper mulch techniques prevent mechanical damage from mowers and string trimmers. It also encourages moisture to remain in the tree's root zone.

-  Mulch should only be at a 2-3" depth and excess should be removed and replaced each season to prevent the build up of mulch.
-  Mulch should NOT physically touch the tree's trunk



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Lake tree replacement program approved for 20 trees

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Parks and Beautification: Tree program. Board Member Steve Meek presented a cost-sharing tree planting program for first-tier property owners to encourage replacement of some of the trees that have died over the years. He said the goal is to leverage the board's funds and get as many trees planted as possible around the lake. He said the board would pay half the cost of each tree purchased from the recommended trees list, while first-tier property owners would pay half the cost for trees planted near their properties.

The 6- to 8-foot trees cost on average \$200 at Colonial Gardens. Colonial also charges 85 percent of the cost of the tree to deliver, plant, treat soil and warranty for a year. He said option A is to purchase 20 trees from Colonial, which would plant the trees, helping ensure their survival. Total cost was estimated to be \$7,400 with a Country Club final cost of \$3,700. He said option B would be for the Country Club to purchase 20 trees and have residents or volunteers plant them. The total cost of this plan is \$4,000 with a Country Club final cost of \$2,000.

Board Member Randy Thatcher asked, with all of the trees the board is paying to remove, do we really need more trees. Board Member Joe Rush agreed with Thatcher. The board passed, 8-3 with 2 abstentions, a motion by Board Member Kim McReynolds to approve Option A drawing funds from Parks and Beautification.

Hilary Peknik said she contacted Colonial Gardens regarding purchase of a lakeside tree. She said they recommended an autumn blaze maple as a good tree to plant near water. She said they told her it is in the same family but a different variety of what is listed on the board's approved tree replenishment list. The board passed, 14-0, a motion by Board Member Gary Mallen to approve the tree request.

Tennis/pickleball courts. Board Member Hap Graff said the pickleball players would like to make a proposal for lighting the tennis/pickleball courts and introduced Bill and Jennifer Osborne, 11 Beach. Jennifer Osborne said there are now 35 pickleball players playing several times a week. She said there is a lack of light on the court as the daylight hours shorten. She said the players would like to install lights to play until 7 p.m.

She said she and her husband purchased two motion-activated solar lights that can be clamped to the fence. She said

there is a remote control to turn the lights on and off. She asked permission to mount the lights with a 60-day trial period to see what else may be needed. The pickleball players will keep the remote in their possession during the trial. The board passed, 13-0, a motion by Board Member Bill Ellwood to approve a trial period of the lights at the pickleball court not to exceed 60 days.

Graff said the Police Department scheduled a bicycle safety course for 10:30 a.m. Oct. 23 in the pickleball court, which interferes with scheduled game times. He said parking also would be an issue. Graff asked that the safety course be moved to a different location or be delayed until 11 a.m.

Bat houses: Renny Buckaloo introduced Colin Banks from Boy Scout Troup 763 who asked if he could perform an Eagle Scout service project for the Lake. He proposed to supply, build and install three bat houses at the Clubhouse, Shelterhouse and Maintenance building. He said the structures would be made of untreated plywood and painted or stained with water-based paints. Each bat house would be 24 inches wide, 26 inches high and 2 to 3 inches deep.

Colin said the structures would house from 15 to 50 bats and would be attached to structures already in place 12 to 20 feet high. He said the bat houses encourage nesting away from private residences and reduce insect population naturally.

Board Member Wes Knox volunteered his home, tools and to pay for supplies for the project. Colin said he had tools but could use the materials. The board encouraged the bat house project and asked Colin to report on his progress. Colin said the project should be completed no later than mid-November.

At the subsequent meeting, Board Member Hap Graff said he had a concern about bat house placement at the Clubhouse and Shelterhouse. He said the presence of bats flying around while an evening event is taking place might not be suitable to all patrons. He added the presence of humans might disturb the bats and inhibit them from making the bat house their home. He said he thought the location might need to be re-evaluated.

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MAYOR'S MINUTES

Liberty Tree provides link to Lake's history



By Mayor John Sellars

Whenever I enter Lake Tapawingo from Woods Chapel Road, the large oak tree that presides over Liberty Gardens catches my attention. I understand this tree is close to 300 years old.

While I appreciate its age, the tree has a unique beauty about it. Almost mystical. Just imagine that this tree, the entrance to our lake, was here before the American Revolution. In 1809 the Burrus family built a mill close to our old tree. Farmers began bringing their grain for milling which led to the establishment of Blue Springs. The old tree was present when a Civil War battle took place in Blue Springs. I appreciate that in 1926 the company that developed Lake Tapawingo left this tree standing.

Of course, these were not the first occupants of the Lake Tapawingo area. Almost 2,000 years ago the Hopewell Indians had a hamlet here. A hamlet by this time typically had three to five families where they would clear land for gardens to raise squash, corn, and beans (known as the three sisters). They would make arrowheads and hunt primarily deer.

Earlier when the Hopewell Indians were in Ohio, they were known for being mound builders but only the Renner site in the Parkville area has a small mound among the various sites in Kansas City. Surprisingly, the Hopewell Indians were known for their artwork and exchange networks. The archeological sites in the area show the networks extended into copper and silver mines in Michigan and Canada to the north, alligator teeth from Florida in the southeast and ceramics and artifacts from Arizona in the southwest.

The Hopewell Indians were a peaceful people who valued diplomacy and their negotiation skills because, in part, of their exchange networks and desire for peace. Hopewell Indians were shamanic, pantheistic, and believed that the great spirit existed in everything and connected with all people and nature. DNA analysis found the Hopewell ancestors came from China, Korea, Mongolia, and Japan. Their ancestors would have passed over

the Bering Strait over 18,000 years ago. A mystery remains why around 500 A.D. the Hopewell Indians disappeared. One belief is that with the various Indian tribes growing in strength it was no longer safe to live in dispersed hamlets.

While I am not a historian, I especially appreciate the history of our community.

On to business at hand, the city government continues to work on making improvements to the sewer and water systems. With the monies from the \$145,000 federal grant, we are exploring adding additional shut-off valves, improvements to meters and grinder pumps, and reducing groundwater infiltration into the sewer system. Alderman Bob Seago is leading this effort to develop a comprehensive sewer and water plan.

If the infrastructure bill passes in Congress, the state of Missouri has informed us that Lake Tapawingo will be able to apply for infrastructure monies. These monies would enable us to continue to make critical infrastructure improvements over the next couple of years.

Aldermen Steve Magel and Tom Rodenberg are working on updates of our zoning regulations and enforcement. Alderman Brad Cloverdyke and Alderwoman Rhonda Dolan work closely with the Lake Board for collaboration and mutual support. Alderwoman Morgan Combs assists on matters of public safety and governance.

City Clerk Paul Blixrud is collaborating with the auditors to complete our 2020-2021 financial statements. In addition, he is leading the effort on network enhancements to provide better software system security. Chief Tammy Taylor is collaborating with her staff to make recommendations on signage for trucks entering our city. We have trucks entering our city that are too big to safely maneuver our streets.

As always, thank you for how you contribute to making Lake Tapawingo a vibrant lake community. Please let me know your thoughts and ideas. You can e-mail me at Johndsellars1@gmail.com.

CITY COUNCIL REPORT

City names members to BZA, Zoning Commission

The Board of Aldermen of the city of Lake Tapawingo met Oct. 7 and 21 at City Hall. Mayor John Sellars presided.

Visitors: Jan Baldwin, 9 Anchor; Charles Cruit, 51 Anchor; John Braden, 45 Anchor; Darryl and Carol McCulloch, Odessa; Thomas McCulloch, Independence.

Board of Zoning Adjustment: Mayor Sellars said he would like to appoint Roxanne Herman, 49 Emerald Shore, and Charles Cruit, 51 Anchor, to the Board of Zoning Adjustment. The board passed, 4-0, a motion by Alderman Brad Cloverdyke to approve the appointments.

Zoning Commission: Mayor Sellars said he would like to appoint Gary Mallen, 9

Dockside, to the Zoning Commission. The board passed, 4-0, a motion by Alderman

Steve Magel to approve the appointment. See City, Page 13.



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City replats seven B Block lots into two large homesites

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Zoning: Thomas McCulloch of Independence presented an application to replat seven empty lots in B Block into only two lots as eventual homesites. Mayor Sellars noted the Zoning Commission met on Oct. 12, voting, 5-0, to recommend approving the request.

McCulloch proposed replatting lots 147-150 and 177-179, which front on both Beach Drive and Beach Circle. The application sought to bisect the contiguous lots into only two lots with the central dividing line extending from Beach Drive to Beach Circle. McCulloch said he and his father already cut trees and demolished a small house on one of the lots to begin building the younger McCulloch's 2,500 square foot home.

After discussion, the council passed, 6-0, motions by Alderman Steve Magel to approve on first and second readings Bill 1222, Ordinance 1015, *An Ordinance Approving a Minor Subdivision Plat for 147-150 and 177-179 Beach Drive.*

Building permits: Alderman Steve Magel noted the City Council previously approved a motion to increase the minimum fee for building permits to \$50 from \$25. After discussion, the council passed, 4-0, a motion by Magel to advance on first reading Bill 1221, Ordinance 1014, *An Ordinance Amending Section 500.030.A of the City of Lake Tapawingo Municipal Code Regarding Building Permit Fees*, which formalized the permit fee increase.

Magel then made a motion for the second reading and final approval of the ordinance.

Alderman Brad Cloverdyke seconded the motion, but questioned the practice of passing an ordinance on first and second reading at the same meeting. He noted the process of first and second reading is to give citizens a chance to consider the proposal and respond. Magel said the council had discussed the matter before. Magel and City Clerk Paul Blixrud said they had heard no comment from citizens.

The council then voted, 4-0, to approve the ordinance on second reading.

Computer security: Mayor Sellars said he, City Clerk Paul Blixrud and Charles Cruit would discuss needed upgrades to the city's computer system before the next City Council meeting.

Business licenses: Aldermen Steve Magel and Tom Rodenberg discussed proposed business license requirements. Magel said a number of issues remained to be decided before the ordinance on business license requirements and fees can be rewritten. Rodenberg said it remained to be determined whether plumbers, electricians, and HVAC contractors must have master's licenses as required in many communities. Magel also mentioned possibly requiring a general contractor's license for those who purchase and remodel houses for resale.

Magel asked council members to contact himself or Rodenberg if anyone has further issues to consider. He said he hoped to have a draft for review for the November meeting.

Water and Sewer: City Clerk Paul Blixrud reported for Alderman Bob Seago that six new grinder pumps were installed and four were repaired and put back in service. He noted the tires on the vacuum trailer were replaced and the Water and Sewer Department has been assisting the city's plumbing contractor on

some water meter replacements. Blixrud said the sewer manholes below the dam were cleaned and maintained. He said they were in good condition, likely not needing service for 10 more years.

Municipal Committee: Alderman Brad Cloverdyke said the joint city-Lake Board Municipal Committee discussed possible need for a third-tier road in E Block if homes were to be constructed on landlocked lots. He said both city and Lake Board members agreed to research requirements and responsibilities on the matter. He said the city likely would use its new city planner, the Institute for Building Technology and Safety, for advice on the situation at a lot owner's expense. He said someone would have to propose building on one of the lots before action would be required.

Cloverdyke said the panel discussed a request to make Anchor Circle a one-way street, noting the Country Club has denied such a proposal and that Anchor Circle residents were not in agreement.

Cloverdyke said Lake Board members indicated they supported Chief Tammy Taylor's proposal to limit maximum lengths of tractor-trailers on Lake roads. He said he asked Taylor to propose an ordinance and that signage be considered at Lake gates. Cloverdyke said Every also should be contacted to ensure that utility lines are all at adequate minimum heights.

Parking nuisance ordinance: Alderman Steve Magel said it soon will be time for residents to pull boats out of the lake and asked that the *Lake Tapawingo News* remind residents they may not park boat trailers in the grass of residences, but only on solid surfaces. Chief Taylor said she can write notices to those residents who repeatedly violate the ordinance.

Financial: Mayor Sellars said the auditors had been in City Hall to conduct the annual city audit. City Clerk Paul Blixrud said the transition from the previous bookkeeping software to the current software had a few issues that were resolved by the auditors.

Official city minutes may be read at City Hall or on the city Internet site, www.laketapawingomo.org.

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WOMEN'S CLUB NEWS

'Yeehaw!' barn dance; 'Yum!' Thanksgiving lunch

By Shannon Follis

Swing your partner round and round -- then give a huge "yeehaw" cheer for the Women's Club barn dance! Lights were hung, tables were moved, pumpkins and scarecrows scattered about, tea was spiked, and the guitar twanged.

There was much laughter, smiles, and dancing (we did our best and when in doubt we did the Electric Slide). Please raise a glass of spiked sweet tea in thanks to everyone who helped plan, set up and clean up after the dance.

The barn dance was another great example of the Lake Tapawingo community coming together and that many hands make light work. The great vision for the dance and the planning helped set a wonderful ambiance.



Cooter Brand BBQ food truck was delicious and the live band Fat Rascals was fantastic. Talk about quintessential fall. Can you guess which movie served as inspiration?

Up next in the lineup of wonderful Women's Club events is the annual senior Thanksgiving luncheon, prepared for pickup from noon-1 p.m. Thursday, Nov. 18, at the Clubhouse. Please see the advertisement on this page for further details.

We are working on planning a casual event for December. Information will be shared once it is available. Also keep



an eye out for information on a progressive dinner we are planning in January 2022.

That is all we have for now, but before closing this out, I'll answer the question above. The movie inspiration was the dance from "Hope Floats."

Jeep Club plans Topless Candy Cane Tour (Not like that!)

The Lake Tapawingo Jeep Club has scheduled the third annual Topless Candy Cane Tour beginning at the Clubhouse at 7 p.m. Friday, Dec. 2. Fully clothed Jeep owners are to tour the Lake's candy canes and holiday lights with their vehicle tops down for a breezy panoramic view.

All are welcome, even those with hardtop cars, trucks and vans. If you don't have a vehicle, members will do their best to find you an open seatbelt. Last year, the club collected donations for a police clothing drive. Stay tuned for developments this year.

Women's Club Senior Thanksgiving Lunch

Thursday, November 18th, Noon – 1:00

Open to all residents 55 and over

RSVP by Nov. 10th for curbside pick-up at clubhouse.

Go to the Residents of Tapawingo Facebook group, search for the Thanksgiving Lunch post from Tomi Bellinghausen and post your name, phone # and # of lunches . Or, leave a message with same info at 816-229-7439 (landline so no texts).

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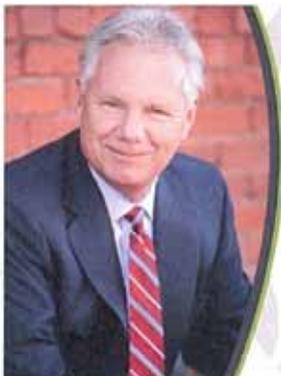
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SPORTSMEN'S CLUB NEWS

Share your recipe at Free Chili Dinner

By John Nicol

Bring your favorite chili, soup or dessert for a potluck with friends and neighbors at the Sportsmen's Club Free Chili Dinner at 6 p.m. Nov. 9 at the Clubhouse. There will be two door prize drawings and honoring of our veterans.

As tradition, we will honor our Lake veterans with American flag lapel pins. There will be plates, service, hot dogs, condiments and usual drink choices provided by the Sportsmen's Club. Protocols for indoor gatherings will be followed and food will be served by club members. The regular club meeting will follow.

Entire club officer slate retained

First Vice President John Harrison informed the Oct. 12 regular meeting that membership was steady with membership renewal coming up. New and renewal member solicitation letters will be scheduled to be mailed.

While Second Vice President Joe Rush had not yet been able to attend the meeting, chili dinner options were discussed. It was decided to have two \$25 door prize drawings to be given to participants. And,



to minimize handling of serving spoons, club members would serve the chili.

Tom Paul advised Third Vice President Jeremy Cumberford that there was great bass and crappie fishing, some were in the 10- to 12-inch range. Also, a 10-plus-pound flathead catfish had been caught. Small shad fish are seen everywhere that serve as food for larger game fish.

Under old business, the Lake Board did not approve crusher run proposed to be installed to level the footing around the flags on the dam. Club members were looking at other options.

Under new business, 25 new Lake Tapawingo flags are to be ordered. More storage shelves were priced by President Jim Clarke for the storage building. Members passed a motion by Chuck Welch, seconded by Darren Lengyel, to make the purchase.

Nominations Chairman Matt Quinn presented the slate of club officers who happened to be the long-standing group of incumbents. Tyler Follis moved that the entire slate be elected, seconded by Tom Paul and passed.

Women's Club scholarship applications available

Each year, two \$1,000 college/advanced education scholarships are presented to qualified Lake Tapawingo high school seniors by the Lake Tapawingo Women's Club.



Scholarship applications are now available at the Lake Office and will be posted on the Blue Springs High School website: Go to bshs.bssd.net and click on

Academics and Counseling, then Local Scholarships. Transcripts, cover letter, application form, and results of ACT or SAT scores are required. Applicants will be contacted by the Scholarship Committee for interviews.

To be considered, applications are due no later than 6 p.m. Tuesday, Feb. 15, 2022. Please mail or hand deliver to: Linda Sangster, 28 Dockside Drive, Lake Tapawingo, MO 64015.

Applicants must be from property-owning Lake Tapawingo households (not rental) and have lived in Lake Tapawingo City Limits for a period of at least 12 consecutive months previous to and adjacent to the scholarship award date. If there are any questions, please call or text Linda Sangster at (816) 916-2400.

City prohibits boat parking on home grass

Alderman Steve Magel reminds residents who remove their boats from the lake for the winter that it is a violation of city ordinance to park their boat trailers on grass of their residences.

Section 220.100, B. Nuisances - General provides: "4. Vehicles. The following conditions shall constitute public nuisances: a. Any vehicle that is parked on a surface other than a street, or driveway that is surfaced with gravel, concrete, asphalt or paver brick."

Section 100.040 provides the maximum penalty for a general nuisance violation is a fine not exceeding \$500 or imprisonment not exceeding 90 days or both.

Boats registered with the Country Club and properly stickered may be parked in the A and B block boat lots.

The Lake Tapawingo Sportsmen's Club invites you and your family to a:

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Moms, Dads and Teens -- Did you Know?

By Chief Tammy Taylor

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Why is texting so bad? It is a major risk factor because it employs all three forms of distracted driving: Visual (when drivers take their eyes off the road); Manual (anything that takes one or both hands off the wheel); and Cognitive (anything that takes your mind off the road). Texting diverts one's attention away from the primary task of driving. Let's keep in mind that distracted driving applies to adults as well.

Missouri also has a zero tolerance alcohol and zero drug tolerance law. Zero tolerance in Missouri means anyone under 21 driving with a blood alcohol content of .02 percent or higher will

have his or her license suspended for 90 days. (The BAC for adults in Missouri is .08 percent.) It is illegal for anyone under the age of 21 to purchase, possess or consume ANY amount of alcohol.

Traffic crashes are the leading cause of death for people 15 to 20 years old according to the Missouri Department of Transportation. Some of the leading causes of death in these crashes are: exceeding the speed limit; inattention; improper lane usage; impaired driving; and nonuse of safety belts.

Please make sure you are having open conversations with young people about the seriousness of drinking and driving, the effects of alcohol and drugs on their minds and bodies and the impact these decisions can have not only on them personally, but the entire family and those around them.

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3. NO Toxic wastes, poisonous gases or solids.
4. NO garbage which has not been properly ground or shredded by an approved garbage grinder equipped with at least a ¾ hp motor. NO EGG SHELLS.
5. NO petroleum products, i.e.: paint thinner, kerosene or gasoline, fuel oil, flammable or explosive liquids.
6. NO paint.
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8. NO waters containing iron, chromium, copper, zinc or similar objectionable substances.

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If you experience a power outage, the pump pit has a limited number of gallons holding capacity of waste. In this circumstance, your other appliances (washer, dishwasher, etc.) will not be working and only the basic living needs will be met. WARNING: Any excessive use of water during an outage could result in a sewer backup into your home!

We trust you to keep these facts in mind and close at hand. They are intended to make your grinder pump last longer and better serve you. If a household introduces any of the above mentioned forbidden items, or causes damage to the sewer system and/or grinder pump resulting in a call for service, that household will be charged for the repairs.

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Household sump pumps are prohibited from discharging into the sewer system, including into basement floor drains. Excessive water from sump pumps, or rainwater entering the grinder pump pit as runoff, can cause the pump to run excessively, damaging its components.

Please minimize water use during power outages. When the power is out, continued water usage, including toilet flushing, fills grinder pump tanks. When the power is restored, numerous pumps activate simultaneously, boosting pressure on the sewer system and sometimes causing sewer line breaks.



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SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
	1 Country Club Board, 7 p.m., via video conference	2	3	4 City Council 6 p.m., City Hall	5	6
7  Daylight Saving Time ends	8	9 Sportsmen's Club Chili Dinner 6 p.m., Clubhouse	10	11  Veterans Day Women's Club Board, 7 p.m. Clubhouse City Hall closed Lake Office closed	12	13
14	15 Country Club Board, 7 p.m., via video conference	16	17 Municipal court cases 1:30 p.m., Circuit Court, Independence	18 Women's Club Thanksgiving Lunch Noon, Register for pickup, Clubhouse	19	20  Invasive Species Training, 9 a.m. Clubhouse (preregister)
21	22	23	24	25  Thanksgiving City Hall closed Lake Office closed	26 City Hall closed Lake Office closed	27
28  Hanukkah begins	29	30	Lake Office renovating; call ahead for service Long-awaited Lake Office renovations have begun, requiring office work hours to be limited in the next few weeks. If you need to contact the Country Club, call 228-3721 or e-mail office@laketapawingomo.com and leave a message. The City Hall is unaffected and operates as usual.			

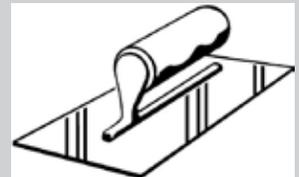
Police Reports

	Sept. 1-30	Aug. 1-31	July 1-31	June 1-30	May 1-31	April 1-30	March 1-31	Feb. 1-28
Traffic - Anchor offenses	10	5	1	5	2	9	4	4
- Beach	4	2	4	1	5	1	4	0
- Clipper	1	0	4	2	5	0	2	0
- Dockside	1	1	6	0	1	2	1	0
- Emerald Shore	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0
- Woods Chapel	1	4	3	9	5	8	2	6
- U.S. 40	25	36	31	32	33	39	45	22
- Total	42	48	49	49	52	59	58	32
Warrant arrests	1	2	0	0	1	3	0	1
Arrests	1	2	1	0	1	3	1	3
Felony arrests	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Codes complaints	0	0	1	0	1	2	0	0
Calls for service	15	30	15	26	22	26	19	9
Warnings	32	57	22	30	25	31	38	30
Total	91	139	88	105	102	124	116	75



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