

Village News

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Important

Attention: Owners of A & B Condos – Panel Inspections

Important – Please install the hurricane shutter panel that has been provided to cover the sidelight window next to your entry door (in model A & B units) on or before **Saturday, March 31, 2007**.

All panels have been placed in the meter room of each building, to facilitate the counting of the panels. The hardware for your panel is available for pickup in the office. Our maintenance staff will be inspecting panels during the week of April 2nd and can assist you with any installation issues.

After the inspection is complete, all panels must be stored in the meter room when not in use. Please be sure that no other items are stored in the room with these panels.

Bulletins / News

Shutter Update

Shutter Masters is finishing up their work in Waterside. As a reminder, if you want to change the garden windows on your C or D units at a later date, you will be responsible for paying for a new shutter to cover the flat window. The new shutter will have to match the new shutters installed by Shutter Masters.

Water Restrictions – in Effect

Because of the rainfall shortage, water restrictions are now in effect for our area. This limits the time of day, number of hours, and the days of the week that water can be used for irrigation or fines will be imposed on violators, and applies to all users including those whose irrigation water is drawn from wells, such as Waterside. Residents are also asked to observe more aggressive water conservation practices in the home. Additional information can be found on the sfwmd.gov website.

Gate Repair/Upgrade

Carpenter Security is progressing nicely with the gate upgrade. The work is expected to be completed on or about March 23rd.

Reminders

Departure Checklist – for Seasonal Residents

Departing residents are reminded to prepare their condos for the summer storms and hurricanes by observing the following rules and advice:

- Close and lock your hurricane shutters, or fees may be imposed
- Loose items such as those listed below must be secured in an indoor location:
 - Lawn/patio furniture
 - Umbrellas
 - Door mats
 - Potted plants / flower pots

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 - Garden hoses
 - Bicycles
 - Benches
 - Fountains / decorations
 - other misc. items
- Relocate propane gas tanks to fenced-in area next to dumpster.
- Shut off the main water valve to your unit. (Anyone with an

- original shut-off valve should have it replaced with a new ball valve; and this work should be done by a licensed plumber.)
- Cars being stored in Waterside must be moved to the parking area next to the drainage ditch, and must be covered.
- Submit your "mail forwarding" card to the post office.

Waterside's Website – a Great Source of Information

If you haven't already registered, please take a moment and register on our community website, it is a great source of information:

- Read important news/bulletins
- Post topics for discussion
- Communicate with members
- Buy/Sell/Rent
- ...and much more!

Simply visit <u>watersidevillage.com</u> and select the Communications tab, and then choose Message Board, and Help.

Why register? – As a non-registered visitor, you can read but not post messages. You must register to post messages, and to send/receive private messages. Once registered, new postings also will be highlighted for you (saving you time with each return visit) using these icons:

(Yellow) = Forum containing new messages since your last visit

(Grey) = Forum containing old messages you have already viewed

<u>Questions?</u> – Simply click on "Help" at the bottom of the message board home page!

No Boil Water Order

A recently issued boil water order for Hypoluxo does not apply to

Waterside Village. Waterside's water is provided by Boynton Beach, not Hypoluxo.

Answering Your Questions

Brown Grass / Sprinkler Repairs?

Some owners have expressed concerns about areas of brown grass in our community. Our sprinkler consultant from Stephany Irrigation was in Waterside again on March 21st to address this issue. We have an old system and one of the pumps needed to be rebuilt, which now has been done. He also replaced a timer and fixed a bad breaker. The main line near the mail kiosk was also repaired, and a valve in front of the office was replaced by our maintenance personnel.

Now that the sprinkler system is working correctly, maintenance has been replacing any missing or broken sprinkler heads.

Unfortunately the drought has compounded these issues. Waterside has applied for a variance that may allow us to operate slightly expanded hours during the water restrictions, in an attempt to address our specific irrigation needs.

Expanding the Wi-Fi?

This project was put on hold last year, primarily because the cost of monthly bandwidth was too high for our fiscal situation. This topic will likely be revisited soon, since technology is changing so rapidly.

Summer Projects

The following projects are planned for this summer:

• Painting touch-up work around the new shutters, awnings and

- windows: Where there are holes in the buildings due to removal of old shutters and awnings, Waterside plans to patch the holes. and paint the repaired areas.
- The postal kiosk will get a new roof and the kiosk itself will be rebuilt or refurbished. The new roof must withstand winds of 150 mph to meet the building codes.
- Painting of stairs on A and B units will be done with taupe paint.

 Many of the stairs in Waterside have already been painted the new color, which matches the new roofs. The buildings that will have their stairs painted are buildings 1 to 9 and buildings 35 to 45.
- The main fountain and surrounding area will be refurbished.

Other Announcements

Next Board Meeting

The next board meeting is scheduled for Saturday, March 31, 2007 at 11:00 AM in the Clubhouse.

House Bill 1373

A major Florida House bill is being developed by Representative Rabino from Miami-Dade. A letter from our attorneys states, in part; "This 221-page bill calls for sweeping changes to the laws pertaining to condominiums", and "as currently drafted, creates many new problems for communities already trying to operate on limited budgets". The bill is available for inspection at myflorida.com. Please feel free to share your voice.

Congratulations to Winners of 2007 Social Activities

Waterside would like to congratulate the winners of the 2007 public/social activity events, and to thank those responsible, who donated so much of their time to make this season a great success. Thank you!