



MARTIN'S POINT QUARTERLY UPDATE:

Hello, I hope you are enjoying spring on the Outer Banks! I just wanted to take a moment to update you on what has been happening in our community of Martin's Point.

In Review:

- There was a sink hole at the entrance drive of the marina caused by a rusted culvert pipe. To ensure safety for residents entering and exiting the marina, the repair was completed quickly with the help of Seaside Management. The repair included cutting the asphalt apron, digging out the old pipe, inserting a new pipe and adding a new concrete apron to prevent the asphalt from deteriorating. You may have noticed the secondary entrance was temporarily used to access the Marina while the concrete cured. We appreciate your patience while the repairs were made.
- The marina's dock repairs required by storm Matthew (I don't like to use the "H" word) have been completed and the dock is ready for you to enjoy this season! Check out the newly improved facilities. I think you will be pleased, and a big thank you to all the Marina Committee members that helped make this happen in time for boating season!
- We still have three marina boat slips available for residents to rent. The slips are very reasonable at only \$600 each for the remainder of the year. If you are interested please contact Seaside Management.

Current Events:

- The Board is looking into alternative vendors for recycling to keep costs down while improving service. Regular trash service is provided by Dare County but we are required to use a third party vendor for recycling.
- A committee has been formed to determine if improvements to our storm water infrastructure can be made to avoid future damage from storms and heavy rain. We will keep you posted as efforts progress and as the committee makes recommendations.
- The Board is reviewing our existing process and formula for determining long-term reserve requirements and comparing it to a third party generated study. As you know adequate reserves for improvements and/or repairs to our infrastructure will help avoid special assessments due to inadequate funds. To my knowledge the community has not had a special assessment to date and none are anticipated at this time. As in the past, the Board will strive to maintain proper reserve funding without increasing the annual assessment.
- The Board discussed having a periodic landscaping award for residents who have "aesthetically appealing" yards as a positive and fun way to make the community even more beautiful. Spring is the perfect time to kick off the program. If you are interested in participating in the establishment of the program please contact Gregg Nigro.

Upcoming Events:

- The Annual Yard Sale will be Saturday, April 22nd. There is a posting at the mailbox area with more information on how to participate. Last year was a huge success! Please be sure to invite your friends from outside the neighborhood to join you since invitations are required to enter through the gatehouse.
- The “Large Item Pickup” by the county will be Tuesday, April 25th. Please have large items ready at the bottom of your driveway. The following items will **NOT** be collected: old clothes, shoes, cardboard, etc., tree limbs, stumps, leaves, any yard-clearing debris, construction/demolition materials such as lumber, toilets, windows, doors, etc., any hazardous materials (oil based paint, pesticides, etc.).
- The Annual Picnic will be Saturday, June 24th from 5-8PM and more information will be posted in the mailbox area closer to that date. For those that went last year and in years past, you know how much fun was had by all, so plan on attending and bring along your neighbors for great catered food, fun, games, live music and an opportunity to connect with others in the neighborhood. If you want to help with this fabulous annual event, please contact Shelly Jones at 252-333-7885. We do need some corn-hole sets donated for the tournament. If you have one that we can borrow for the event, please contact Shelly Jones.

Friendly Reminders:

- We are fortunate to live in a gated community which provides a more secure and safe atmosphere. However residents are always encouraged to remain diligent and take prudent measures with regard to real and personal property including securing valuables and locking doors. Any emergencies should be reported using 911 and non-emergency concerns reported to the gate attendants and/or the management company.
- There is a restriction on the size of real estate signs and other types of signs are prohibited per our Declaration of Covenants. If your home is for sale, please ask your real estate broker to follow the size requirements outlined in the covenants which usually prohibit name/message riders above and below the main body of sign. Adherence to the sign rules will balance the positive effect of awareness without the negative of excessive use.
- Please keep in mind that for recycling to remain economically viable for our residents, boxes must be collapsed so as not to fill the recycling dumpsters prematurely. If the trash or recycling dumpsters are full please do not cause them to overflow creating a clean-up effort for other residents and/or the management company.
- Children at play! Please drive at a safe speed.
- Please help keep the chipping area free from root balls and non-tree/branch related yard debris. Yard debris and other “non-chippable” waste should be disposed of in the regular trash dumpsters.

If you have any suggestions or concerns please feel free to contact me at 252-982-6136.

Sincerely,

Joe Staten

President Martin’s Point HOA