

Committee Updates for 2020 Annual Meeting

Architectural Review Committee (ARC) Wilma Poole, Chair

Projects Completed: New Garages = 2; New Deck Extension = 1; New Houses = 2

Projects in Progress: New 2nd story screened in porch; New House Construction Started = 1

Audit Committee Jim Collins, Chair

Audit Committee conducted the annual audit on June 13, 2020. They report that an audit of Merrymount financial statements and records have been completed and all documents were accurate.

Neighborhood Watch Patty McHenry, Chair

The Neighborhood Watch Committee is alive and well and watching for suspicious or unusual activities in the development. Please call your nearest block captain if you see any suspicious individuals or activities or 911 in case of an emergency. Click on [block captains](#) for further information.

No-Wake Committee Bo Jamison, Chair

Timeline of events:

8/9/19: Original request for No Wake Zone

2/10/20 Mecklenburg County formed Lake Advisory Committee

2/26/20 Mecklenburg Committee passed Ordinance, Public Hearing Notice to be published 2/26/20 and 3/4/20

3/9/20 Ordinance passed

4/24/20 Paid \$400.00 application fee (Meck. Co.)

6/17/20 Public hearing held and passed 18 for 2 against

8/3/20 Mecklenburg County Board of Supervisor has informed Bo in writing that the Mecklenburg County Lake Advisory Committee has approved the placement of five buoys. The Captain of The Department of Game and Inland Fisheries, Capt. Fisher, has a different plan for the placement of the five buoys. Bo talked with Capt. Fisher (DGIF) reference to placement of buoys. He advised he would call Bo on Friday (8/7/20) No response as of 8/10/20, Bo will try and contact him.

8/7/20 Bo picked up the buoys and anchors, and in process of obtaining cable and clamps for anchors.

Planning Committee Bill McCall, Chair

We completed the staining of the pavilion structure, tables and benches this past Spring at a cost of \$3,500. The original cost that was proposed required volunteers from the membership. This project was recommended by the reserve study and the cost was built into the reserve study budget to maintain the pavilion for years to come. We should not need to re-stain for another 4-5 years with normal wear and tear.

Roads Report Debbie Ortiz, Chair

2019 Improvements: In 2019 the roads in the Merrymount subdivision received chip and seal and a seal coat.

The chip and seal treatment was completed in early July by Lanco Paving. The entire subdivision did not receive a chip and seal treatment. In May, the roads were evaluated by Deborah Ortiz and Bruce Nunn of Lanco to identify distressed areas that needed the chip and seal. Areas that displayed excessive cracking were marked during this evaluation. The cost of this work was \$14,900.

The seal coat treatment was completed in September by REMAC. This treatment also included crack sealing that was done prior to the seal coat applications. All roadway surfaces in the subdivision were crack sealed and received two coats of sealant. The cost of this maintenance was \$30,210.19. REMAC also applied a small patch in front of the Heycock home and provided a new stop sign for the intersection of Bell Arbor and Hawtree Way at no additional charge. REMAC damaged the Sabo's mailbox, but replaced it with an identical one such that the homeowner was satisfied.

Initially, the intent was to have the sealcoat follow soon after the chip and seal. However, both companies were also doing the same tasks in Granite Hall Shores and it was advantageous for them to do both subdivisions at the same time. The delay of sealcoating was beneficial because it allowed the stones for the chip and seal to be seated in the tar and excess stones brushed to the side of the road.

Current Condition: The subdivision's roadways appear to be in great condition. These routine maintenance procedures help preserve the roads and give them a uniform appearance. Some residents have reported that there are areas that show cracking and possibly should have received the chip and seal. However, these areas could possibly wait till we schedule our next routine maintenance.

Future Plans: This routine maintenance should be completed every four to five years to help preserve the roadway structure. Using that schedule, the next time this maintenance should be done is in either 2023 or 2024. In the meantime, an annual evaluation of the roads should be completed to determine if there are structural failures such as potholes. The combination of chip and seal along with sealcoating should be all our roads need for an indefinite period of time. Hopefully the Merrymount subdivision can avoid the need for an asphalt overlay because it has a low volume of traffic and the majority of traffic consists of light weight vehicles. However, construction related

traffic may create some pavement distress. An annual review of the conditions will help identify these areas if they occur. It would be beneficial to complete that review in the spring of each year.

Social Committee Lee Guins, Chair

The Social Committee decided to cancel 2020 activities and events. This will include the annual picnic and Fall Festival. The Christmas Party will be decided at a later date. With all of the issues of the COVID-19, we feel it best that we put our time, energy, and funds into 2021, and hope for more time together as a community. Perhaps a New Years' bonfire at the Pavilion, so watch for updates. If restrictions let up, and you all want to spend time together, let any of us on the Committee know, and we will try to help in any way possible. Please stay safe, and let us hope when 2021 rolls around, we can resume our activities!