

The Communicator

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President's Report

After months of either staying indoors or going out looking like you were heading to rob a bank, it looks like things are starting to head back in a more normal direction. One of the waitresses, at a restaurant we like, said she'll have to remember to not make faces at customers anymore. I must say, I've been amazed with all the jobs lost or cut back, Cedarday has had a fair number of homes sold. Sold fast and sold high. I saw one home listed and it had an offer in 28 seconds. It's been crazy.

If you're on the Cedarday Nextdoor app or Facebooks Cedarday Neighborhood, you know Harford County is in the process of school redistricting. Many of the homeowners from Cedarday and the Estates at Cedarday are involved in providing input to the County regarding the redistricting plan. If you're interested in more information or getting involved, you can visit those sites or google Harford County school redistricting on your computer.

Now that the nice weather is upon us, it's a good time to look at the trees, landscaping and sidewalks in front of your home. If your trees or bushes are interfering with people walking on the sidewalk, please trim them back. The sidewalks in front of your property are your responsibility. If they need any kind of repairs or leveling, please make those repairs. If anyone knows of a good sidewalk repair company, I'd like to list them on the Contractors Corner page of our website. Just email me at mannel807@hotmail.com.

Gerry Mannel

Vice President's Report

I hope everyone is enjoying the spring season and the buzz of Cicadas around the neighborhood. I think I'm as excited as the Cicadas to be out and about after being couped up over the past year!

Earlier this year, we received a storm water management inspection report from Harford County for the Bynum Run pond. As a point of reference, the storm water ponds are inspected every three years.

Overall, the Bynum Pond received a good rating with just three items requiring remediation. Two of the findings were minor enough that Gerry and I were able to address one afternoon. The other finding was potentially more significant, so we requested an on-site visit with the inspectors to better understand the issue and discuss potential remediation options. The issue has to deal with erosion just beyond the barrel outflow of the pond. After much discussion, we agreed on a go forward plan to deal with the root cause of the erosion. In addition, while inspecting the pond, we noticed serious erosion at the foot of the access easement near the south end of the pond that needed to be addressed as well. We've contracted with Ivy Hill, our landscaping contractor, to address the erosion issues on the easement and at the pond outflow area. Timing will depend on the weather, but this is expected to be completed early this summer.

Not that we didn't have enough to do already, while inspecting the outflow tower in the Bynum Pond, we noticed that the lower outflow drainage pipe lacked a gate valve. As a result, the Pond was draining more quickly and to a lower level than designed, which was likely contributing to the erosion issue at the barrel outflow. To address this problem, we've contracted with a local plumbing company to install a gate valve. Installation is expected to be completed this month.

The other two stormwater ponds at Deepwood and Sidehill appear to be in good shape to start the season. We did complete some long overdue cleanup of trash at all three ponds at the beginning of the season. Other than the ponds, the neighborhood looks great to start the summer season!

Please stay safe and have an enjoyable summer season!

Fran Mergler

Treasurer's Report

	2021	2021	2021	Projected
	Proposed	Jan - TD	Prj.Remain	Actual
Income				
Assessments	\$37,513.00	\$36,835.20	\$677.80	\$37,513.00
Interest	\$1,500.00	\$587.15	\$912.85	\$1,500.00
Total Income	\$39,013.00	\$37,422.35	\$1,590.65	\$39,013.00
Expenses				
Meetings	\$50.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Annual Meeting	\$50.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Professional Fees:	\$6,600.00	\$4,110.00	\$2,490.00	\$6,600.00
Accountant	\$500.00	\$0.00	\$500.00	\$500.00
Advertising	\$100.00	\$0.00	\$100.00	\$100.00
Attorney	\$1,500.00	\$125.00	\$1,375.00	
Insurance (Liability & Bond)	\$4,500.00	\$3,985.00	\$515.00	\$4,500.00
Utilities:	\$400.00	\$85.45	\$314.55	\$400.00
Maintenance:	\$13,621.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$13,621.00
Mowing of Ponds	\$6,125.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$6,125.00
Routine Pond Maintenance	\$300.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$300.00
Mowing: sign and common areas	\$2,496.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$2,496.00
Landscaping - Sign	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Maintenance Sign Landscaping	\$2,000.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$2,000.00
Pond Survey	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Office Supplies				
Ink, Paper, Envelopes	\$375.00	\$0.00	\$375.00	\$375.00
mil, raper, Envelopes	\$373.00	70.00	4575.00	4575.00
Website	\$175.00	\$145.99	\$29.01	\$175.00
Postage & Delivery	\$425.00	\$0.00	\$25.00	\$425.00
Stamps	\$320.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$320.00
Certified Letters	\$25.00	\$0.00	\$25.00	\$25.00
P.O. Box	\$150.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$150.00
Welcome/ Social	\$300.00	\$0.00	\$300.00	\$300.00
Taxes:	\$490.00	\$479.00	\$0.00	\$479.00
Federal	\$390.00	\$376.00	\$0.00	\$676.00
State	\$100.00	\$103.00	\$0.00	\$103.00
Total Expenses	\$22,436.00	\$4,820.44	\$3,533.56	\$22,375.00
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Total Reserve (Income - Expenses)	\$16,577.00			\$16,638.00

Treasurer Laurie Mergler

Comments from the Community

Tidbits from the Editor



Cedarday Dumpster Day—May 15, 2021

May 15, 2021, the same day as the yard sale, marked the 12th or 13th straight year(except for covid) that Lee Tessier, our local real estate broker and neighbor has arranged to have dumpster service available for anyone in the neighborhood to get rid of junk that had accumulated in their homes. The nice thing about this service is that it has avoided a lot of personal trips to the Harford County Landfill for us and probably some trips that would not have occurred at all without Lee's generosity. Also available were 2 trucks from the local "habitat for Humanity" Restore in Aberdeen. These trucks were both filled with articles that one could not classify as junk, but still needed to go. At the end of the day on May 15, 4 full dumpsters and 2 full Restore Trucks left the neighborhood. The community, once again, thanks Lee Tessier for his generous contribution. At some point in time, all of us will most likely be thinking of selling our homes either for new jobs or for downsizing. Hopefully you might consider having that thought process lead you to the "Lee Tessier Team of EXP Realty" for assistance in selling your home. Lee Tessier, in addition to hosting a cleanup day for us every year, has been a leader in the Realty field for many years. His phone number is 410-365-2210.

Thanks Lee.

Yard Sale and Cleanup Day

May 15, 2021 was a great day in our Cedarday Community. We had our first full yard sale day in 2 years. The event was not quite the success the previous 2 years due first to a rainy weekend with extremely low attendance and then last year due to the covid virus. This year seemed almost perfect. It was a beautiful day and the turnout was great. I drove through the community at about 9:30 AM and was met by a traffic jam on several streets, double and triple parking on another and many owners sitting in front of their homes or selling things at their tables near the sidewalks. Traffic jams and double parking are not normally a good sight, but on May 15, it was great to see as those traits are some signs that a successful yard sale was happening. The community seemed to be more alive than it had been in a long time; I think the residents were just ready for something different and they got it! Thanks, once again, go to Amelia Hentschel for arranging the event and handling the logistics.

Thanks Amelia.

Board of Directors Meetings

The Board of Directors will hold their meetings at President Gerry Mannel's home at 807 Deepwood Court. Meetings start at 6:30.

2021 Board Meetings

June 10 August 12

Annual Meeting September 15, 7:3

October 14 December 9



The board encourages all homeowners to attend these meetings. We value your input and opinions.