
Norm's News & Notes

June 15, 2015



Wells: The check valve on well #1 required replacement. To make the repair, well #2 was placed on line but could not keep up to the water demand. Florida Rural Water Association was called to test the meters and the wells. They checked the flow from each pump and calibrated the meters. We may need to replace the pump in well #2 pending the final results of the tests. There is no information available to determine the manufacturer, age or size of our pump.

Waste Water Treatment Plant: Our contractor installed the Generac Generator Controller at the WWTP. It is a much needed addition to the plant and brings us into compliance. The cost was approx. \$3,000 and included in the 2015 budget.

The 5 manholes that were slated for 2015 have been relined by GML Coatings. Cost from reserves was \$11,700.

The Board has been working with Florida Rural Water Assistance concerning rerating, permitting and capacity of the WWTP. Our current permit with Florida Department of Environmental Protection (FDEP) costs \$1,000 annually. FRWA is in the process of completing an engineering evaluation and will submit a request to FDEP to lower or annual fee based on our water usage. This could result in a savings of \$500 to \$900 annually, depending on results of our evaluation.

Campground Advertising: Our campground is listed on the following websites: Coachmen Owners Association, Escapees RV Club, Family Motor Coach Association, Go Camping America, and Passport America. We recently reviewed these websites and updated them with our current information.

We are planning to have a vendor booth again at the Trade Association's RV Super Show held in Tampa during January, 2016. This show which we attended in January, 2015 was instrumental in bringing campers and groups to our campground, thus generating revenue. There were 15 campers in the campground over the Memorial Day weekend.

Foreclosures: Camper's Holiday now owns two (2) additional properties: A-79 and D-47. A-79 has been updated and ready for sale. D-47 is a tear down and we are looking for a contractor to do it.

Maintenance: Closed B & C bathrooms for the summer, painted the numbers and arrows in the campground, cleaned all street signs, servicing all equipment, placing seals on all relined manholes.

Trees: Trees/stumps interfering with the road resurfacing have been removed.

Roads: We were notified May 28 that the contractor who won the bid to resurface our roads will not be able to complete the project due to health issues. We will be reviewing our second bid to finalize costs.

WiFi - The new WiFi is a work in progress. The equipment will be housed in the Cable TV room. In order to accommodate the new equipment, the wall in the former office was moved 3 feet. During renovation, many issues were uncovered: faulty electrical wiring, termite damage, no attic ventilation, a second flat roof, old plumbing for bathroom, and squirrels entering via soffit. AT&T is in the process of bringing in the Fiber Optic Cable. All old antennas have been removed from the 100 ft. tower and the tower has been re-grounded with three 16 ft. ground rods.

Camper's Holiday Board of Directors