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Welcome Wednesday News



Lake Sumter Landing

CDD Orientation

Please join us each Thursday at 10:00am at the District office located at 984 Old Mill Run to learn about how the Districts operate and other important community information. For additional information, please contact us at (352) 753-4508.



The following facilities will be closed or have scheduled maintenance:

⇒ **Southside Adult Pool**

The Southside Adult Pool will be partially closed for shade structure improvements until August 3rd.

⇒ **Paradise Tennis Courts**

The Paradise Tennis Courts will be closed for court resurfacing until August 26th.

⇒ **Laurel Manor Sports Pool**

The Laurel Manor Sports Pool will be closed for maintenance until July 30th.

⇒ **Lake Miona Sports Pool**

The Lake Miona Sports Pool will be closed for maintenance July 5th through August 2nd.

⇒ **Allamanda Recreation Center**

The Allamanda Recreation Center will be closed Monday, July 25th through Friday, July 29th.

⇒ **Canal Street Pickleball and Tennis Court Closure**

The Canal Street Pickleball and Tennis Courts will be closed for resurfacing July 26th to August 1st.

⇒ **Fish Hawk Pickleball and Tennis Courts**

The Fish Hawk Pickleball and Tennis Courts will be closed for resurfacing from July 19th through July 26th.



Golf View Dock Replacement

The installation of the railing system is near completion. The framing preparation for the cosmetic trim work to the pavilion is underway. The approach sidewalk connector is being installed and District Property Management will begin its portion of the site grading work tomorrow. This project is scheduled to be complete August 2016.



Construction of Boone & Del Mar Gate House Restrooms

The plumbing / mechanical and electrical concrete slab rough ins are complete. The floor concrete slabs will be poured in place this week. The restrooms will be for use by the gate attendants working at those locations.



Boone Gate



Del Mar Gate

A Message From...



Multi-Modal Path Discussion Group

In April 2016 a memo was sent to the District Boards No. 1-4 and the Amenity Authority Committee from the Project Wide Advisory Committee (PWAC) requesting to reconvene the Multi-Modal Path Discussion Group. In an effort to remain effective, the PWAC requested to initially focus specifically on multi-modal path signage at the second meeting. This includes, but not limited to, directional, informational and safety signage.

The District Boards No. 1-4 and the Amenity Authority Committee agreed to attend, and supervisors have provided input related to the topic in advance of the meeting.

The MMPDG meeting is scheduled to take place on Tuesday, July 26, 2016 at 9:00 a.m. in the Savannah Regional Recreation Center. The meeting is open to the public, and supervisors and members of the public have the ability to discuss additional topics that they would like addressed by the MMPDG at a future meeting.



Water Cooler Information

For the health, safety and wellbeing of your fellow Villagers, please refrain from opening the lids of any water coolers placed at recreation center facilities.



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Executive Golf

It is with great pleasure to announce that the Village Community Development Districts' remaining 9 Executive Golf courses (Silver Lake, Hill Top, De La Vista, Chula Vista, Mira Mesa, El Diablo, El Santiago, SaddleBrook and Hawkes Bay) have become members and are enrolled in the certification process for the Audubon International Cooperative Sanctuary Program for golf courses.

The Audubon Cooperative Sanctuary Program for golf courses (ACSP) is an environmental education program that enhances wildlife habitat, helps with chemical use reductions /safety, aids in water quality management, recognizes water conservation efforts and helps course managers with protecting natural resources for the benefits of the communities they are associated with. This program also helps golf courses become recognized as good stewards to the environment, preserves the natural heritage of the game, and gain recognition for the participants' efforts.

If you have any additional questions, or concerns or would like updates on any of the courses, please contact Eric Van Gorder, Director of Executive Golf Maintenance at (352)753-3396.



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Community Development Districts Finance

The conversion to our new Utility Billing software took place over the 4th of July weekend. Along with the new billing system we have a new on-line payment system. You are now able to pay on-line with an electronic check. The convenience fee for paying in this manner is \$1 which goes directly to the third party provider (Point & Pay). The fee for on-line payment with debit or credit card has been reduced from 2.4% to 2.3% or a minimum of \$2 (reduced from a minimum of \$3). Also, on the site, you can now access your account in one of three ways, Account Number, Name, or Address. Below is what the new screen looks like for paying a utility bill.

The screenshot shows the 'Utility Billing Online Payment Service' interface. At the top, there's a search bar with 'Utility Billing' selected and a search button. Below this is a navigation menu with sections for 'ONLINE SERVICES' (Internet Services, Utility Billing Search, Online Payments, Utility Billing Payments), 'PERFORMANCE DATA' (Financial Summary, Performance Dashboard), 'MUNICIPALITIES' (Select a Municipality), and 'ACCOUNT' (Sign In, Register, Why Register?). The main content area features a three-step process: 'Step 1: Search' (Use the search criteria below to begin searching for your record.), 'Step 2: Select Record', and 'Step 3: Make Payment'. Under 'Getting Started...', there's a welcome message and three search options: 'Search by Account Number', 'Search by Name', and 'Search by Address'. Each option has a corresponding input field and a 'Search' button. A disclaimer at the bottom states: '**Disclaimer: BS&A Software provides AccessMyGov.com as a way for municipalities to display information online and is not responsible for the content or accuracy of the data herein. This data is provided for reference only and WITHOUT WARRANTY of any kind, expressed or inferred. Please contact your local municipality if you believe there are errors in the data.'

Stay Tuned for more exciting new options over the coming weeks (hint . . . e-bills)!

Also due to the implementation, the utility bills being sent out in July will have a new look! All of the same information will be included in the new bill but it will have a slightly different look. A sample of the new bill is shown on the following pages with key items highlighted.

If you have any questions, you may contact our Utility Billing and Customer Service Division at 352-750-0000.

ACCOUNT ACTIVITY

Account Number **N000-0000-00**
 Service Address 111 Village Street
 Service Period **06/20/2016 to 07/19/2016**
 Billing Date 07/25/2016
 Due Date **08/15/2016**
AMOUNT DUE: \$229.58



VILLAGE HOMEOWNER
 111 VILLAGE STREET
 THE VILLAGES FL 32163

PLEASE MAKE CHECKS PAYABLE TO:

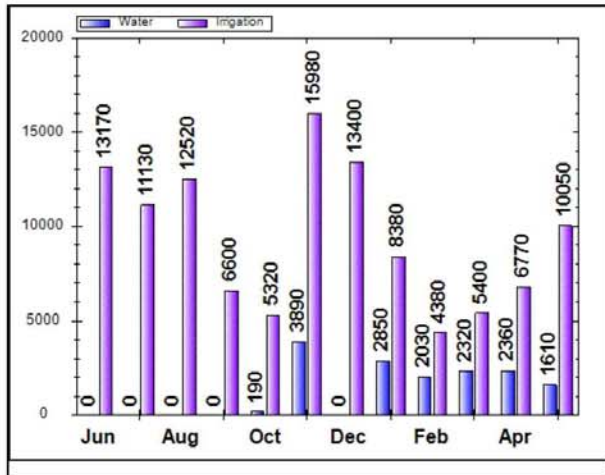
NSU
 984 OLD MILL RUN
 THE VILLAGES, FL 32162-1675

Previous Statement	Payments (Credits)	Adjustments	Balance Forward	New Charges	ACCOUNT BALANCE
\$100.47	\$(100.47)	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$229.68	\$229.68

Service Address: 111 VILLAGE STREET

Service Period: 06/20/2016 to 07/19/2016

METER CONSUMPTION INFORMATION			
Description	Current Reading	Previous Reading	Usage in Gallons
Irrigation	286,420	276,370	10,050
Water	42,640	41,030	1,610



Account Number: N004-0336-03			
PREVIOUS STATEMENT			\$100.47
PAYMENTS APPLIED SINCE LAST BILL			\$(100.47)
ADJUSTMENTS			\$0.00
LATE PAYMENT FEES			\$0.00
BALANCE FORWARD			\$0.00
CURRENT ACTIVITY		USE IN GAL	NEW TAX CHARGES
Wtr Base			\$0.45
Wtr Use	1,610		\$0.15
Converted Billing Item	1,610		\$3.06
Converted Billing Item	1,610		
Irr Base			\$5.97
Irr Use	10,050		\$25.01
Sewer Base			\$12.68
Sewer Use	1,610		\$7.31
Amenity Fee			\$148.25
Sanitation Collect.			\$17.90
		\$0.60	\$229.08
TOTAL NEW CHARGES			\$229.68
BALANCE FORWARD			\$0.00
AMOUNT DUE:			\$229.68

NSU WATER STEP RATES
 0 - 4,000 GAL @ \$1.90/1,000 GAL
 4,001 - 8,000 GAL @ \$3.18/1,000 GAL
 8,001 & Up @ \$4.43/1,000 GAL

NSU SEWER RATES
 0-10,000 Gallons @ \$4.54/1,000

NSU IRRIGATION STEP RATES
 0 - 7,000 GAL @ \$2.07/1,000 GAL
 7,001 - 14,000 GAL @ \$3.45/1,000 GAL
 14,001 & Up @ \$4.79/1,000 GAL

QUESTIONS ABOUT SUMMER SANITATION PICKUP CALL (352) 748-0109
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 UTILITY CUSTOMER SERVICE AT (352) 750-0000
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 FOR ONLINE PAYMENTS VISIT OUR WEB PAGE: www.districtgov.org
 AFTER HOUR WATER EMERGENCIES:
 CALL COMMUNITY WATCH AT 352-753-0550

ACCOUNT ACTIVITY

Account Number **L000-0000-03**
 Service Address **100 ANYWHERE ST**
 Service Period **05/02/2016 to 06/02/2016**
 Billing Date **06/22/2016**
 Due Date **06/23/2016**
AMOUNT DUE: \$221.36

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RESIDENT
 100 ANYWHERE ST
 THE VILLAGES FLORIDA 32162

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 984 OLD MILL RUN
 THE VILLAGES, FL 32162-1675

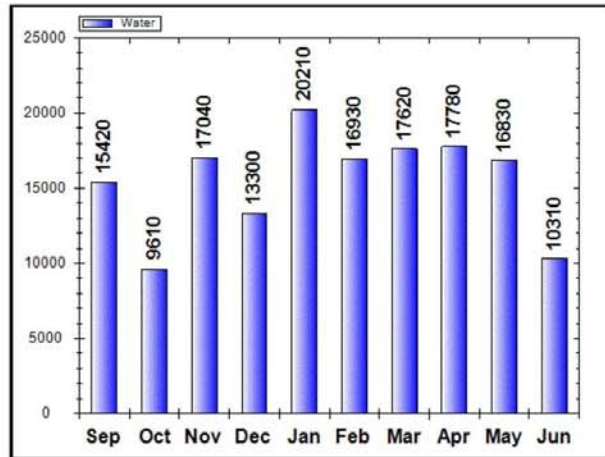


Previous Statement	Payments (Credits)	Adjustments	Balance Forward	New Charges	ACCOUNT BALANCE
\$243.40	\$(243.40)	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$221.36	\$221.36

Service Address: 100 ANYWHERE ST

Service Period: 05/02/2016 to 06/02/2016

METER CONSUMPTION INFORMATION			
Description	Current Reading	Previous Reading	Usage in Gallons
Water	103,620	102,589	10,310



Account Number: L000-0000-03			
CURRENT ACTIVITY	USE IN GAL	TAX	NEW CHARGES
PREVIOUS STATEMENT			\$243.40
PAYMENTS APPLIED SINCE LAST BILL			\$(243.40)
ADJUSTMENTS			\$0.00
LATE PAYMENT FEES			\$0.00
BALANCE FORWARD			\$0.00
Wtr Base			\$7.38
Wtr Use	10,310		\$14.85
Sewer Base			\$14.18
Sewer Use	10,310		\$21.80
Amenity Fee - June			\$145.25
Sanitation Collect.			\$17.90
		\$0.00	\$221.36
TOTAL NEW CHARGES			\$221.36
BALANCE FORWARD			\$0.00
AMOUNT DUE:			\$221.36
DUE AFTER	06/28/2016		\$232.38

LSSA WATER STEP RATES
 0 - 11,000 GAL @ \$1.44/1,000 GAL
 11,001 - 18,000 GAL @ \$3.62/1,000 GAL
 18,001 & Up @ \$5.02/1,000 GAL

LSSA SEWER RATES
 0-10,000 Gallons @ \$2.18/1,000

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Community Development Districts

TO: Board Members, Village Center and Sumter Landing Community Development Districts
FROM: Janet Y. Tutt, District Manager
DATE: July 18, 2016

Supervisors,

It has been approximately eight and a half years since the Internal Revenue Service (IRS) advised the Village Center Community Development District and Sumter Landing Community Development District (Districts) it was conducting an audit of its tax exempt bond issues ranging in date from 1998 through 2005. Following notification, the IRS further communicated with the Districts of the issues it considered the basis for advising the Districts they were not qualified issuers of tax exempt bonds.

Over this last eight plus years, the District has spent considerable staff resources and attorney fees in an attempt to help educate the IRS as to the specific facts and information pertaining to the Districts, the State of Florida Chapter 190 providing for special purpose local governments and the Districts' bond issues. Fortunately, the National Association of Bond Lawyers (NABL) eventually took notice of what was transpiring and their organization began additional intense communications with the Internal Revenue Service. As you are aware, the result concurred with what we believed to be the case from the beginning: the Districts were a qualified issuer as a political subdivision under the rules and policies at the time the bonds were issued. NABL agreed with the Districts that the IRS could not change the rules subsequent to tax exempt bonds being issued and then retroactively apply new rules.

Following notification by the IRS that the bonds were no longer being examined for political subdivision concerns, the IRS raised questions about the tax exempt status because they believed the bonds to be private activity bonds. Again, the Districts responded stating the IRS was incorrect and although the IRS continued to state their position, the Districts were prepared to continue through due process to resolve the issue in their favor.

However, during the course of the audits, the Districts did, in fact, refund the tax exempt bonds with taxable bonds: securing a substantial savings due to market changes since the original bonds were issued. The decision by the Districts to refund the bonds was to take advantage of the low interest market available - not knowing how long the savings would be available while waiting for the IRS to complete its audits.

Although the IRS still believes the original bonds should have been taxable, and the Districts still believe the IRS analysis and position were incorrect, on July 14, 2016 the Districts received letters from the IRS that state: "You have notified us that all of the Bonds were redeemed on (Dates differ). **We have concluded that closing the examination without further IRS action supports sound tax administration.**" The closed examination applies to all tax exempt Recreational Revenue Bonds issued by the Village Center Community Development District and the Sumter Landing Community Development District.

This process has been a very long, frustrating and, due to inaccurate media coverage, an anxious one for some of our residents. However, from the beginning, the Districts (Supervisors and Staff) have assured residents of the Districts' financial strength and that the process/outcome would not adversely affect the provision of amenity services or have any impact on Amenity Fees. We remain committed to residents' expectations regarding the provision of Amenity services and want to reassure all residents of the Districts' commitment and the model which provides sustainability of The Villages community. For over 8 years we were steadfast in maintaining that the Districts had followed the law and that there was no factual basis for the IRS examination. To have this examination finally closed without penalty is a tremendous victory for our community and vindication of our Supervisors and District staff who do a tremendous job serving our residents.

Thank you to the Supervisors for your support and perseverance in seeing this audit to its conclusion. Please let me know if you have any questions or need further clarifications.

Save the Date!

Household Hazardous Waste & Electronics Mobile Collection



Saturday, August 20, 2016

8:00 am–2:00 pm

**Downtown Sumter Landing–South
Parking Lot, Between Old Mill Run
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ITEMS TO BRING:

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