

Dear Members,

1/20/21

I hope this newsletter finds you in good health. It has been a crazy year. We have all had to adapt to the COVID-19 protocols and Cutty's was no exception. The pools were closed as well as the playgrounds, store and much more. We were excited in April when the governor started opening facilities. The guidelines were set and Cutty's faithfully did everything in our power to make Cutty's a safe environment.

I would like to thank all members who used the facilities and supported Cutty's. The actual number of nights camping were higher than the last two years. Your support has allowed Cutty's to make a profit even in these tumultuous times.

Last year we met a new financial high by accumulating over one million dollars in our bank accounts. This allowed for us to continue to make improvements in the campground. You may have noticed that we purchased over 50 personalized fire rings. The distinctive Cutty's logo made for an enhanced campfire experience. We do plan to buy more again this year with the goal of a fire pit at every site that they are allowed. If you would like to have one for home, they will be available in the store. We also added lights to the A section that our members appreciated for the added security and ambiance. The Board has approved an additional 200 lights to be installed in the B section the H section and at many other sites throughout the park. Thirty cement patios were added to each section of the park in open camping. It has always been hard to keep grass growing at every site. These patios will make a clean and safe addition to those sites. We will also continue to add patios where they will fit. The goal is to have a patio, fire pit and picnic table at as many sites that will allow. This project will take a few years to complete. We would like to thank those members who split and sold firewood to help finance this project. We will also be enlarging and completing a new parking area on the South East side of the Clubhouse for easier access. Other improvements planned a new gate for the outdoor pool, an additional \$30,000.00 for road improvements and oiling roads for dust control. We purchased a leaf mulcher to clean up sites and other mechanical maintenance improvements are being done throughout the park.

The Board has a five year-ten year plan for many more upgrades as funds allow. The biggest project that must be funded first is the road coming in along the lake. The continued and additional flooding we have been experiencing the last few years has undermined the road and it must be replaced. This also will allow more water into the lake so our spillway must be upgraded as well to let the water out. We have been working on this project for years. We now have plans and they have been submitted to the DNR for approval. We have been designated as a fast-track project by the DNR but with Covid-19 the process is agonizingly slow. We had hoped to complete this project in the offseason last year and it does not look as though we will be able to do it this year. The budget estimates for this project are \$700,000 to \$900,000. As

you can see the Board needs to keep this expenditure in mind as we continue to make improvements.

The Board of Directors has updated the Rule Book. We clarified language and made minor changes to some rules. The most changes were to the RV Storage area. First off, we wanted to make it more fair for members to be able to have a camper in storage to bring out and use. Unfortunately, the old rules let members keep multiple units and other type of vehicles in storage which then did not allow for anyone else to use the service. We think the new rules are a benefit to all members of Cutty's.

We are always looking for qualified members to run for the Board. Business knowledge is preferred but not required. We need members who will look out for Cutty's as a whole and bring no one personal agenda. We have added some information on how to run for the Board and the election procedure to the member only section of the website. Please consider this seriously if you can make decisions that are best for Cutty's.

Great news is we have hired a new manager Brad Kerr. Brad comes to us with almost three decades of management experience. He believes in creating a positive workplace culture by providing strong leadership and excellent customer service. Through taking EntreLeadership (Dave Ramsy) he has seen the value of committing to personal development for himself, as well as his employees. He is eager to lead the Cutty's team and continue to provide family-oriented experiences in a customer-focused environment. He likes to travel by bicycle and is always training for his next trip across the US. Family includes wife Tami, 2 sons (Zak and Alex) and 2 grandsons (Brooks and Boston). He has jumped in and is learning how things work. We will be having a welcoming event, a Meet and Greet, Saturday, May 15 9:30 at the Clubhouse, come and welcome Brad to the team.

Ron Haynes

President

Board Business Dates

Saturday, May 15, 2021 10:30AM CH Club Hall Meeting

Monday, June 7, 2021 5:00PM Cutty's Office Deadline for Candidates Resume and Voter eligibility

Saturday, June 12, 2021 10:30AM CH Club Hall Meeting

Saturday, June 19, 2021 10:30AM CH Meet the Candidates

Sunday, July 11, 2021 2:00PM CH Annual Meeting

Saturday, August 14, 2021 10:30AM CH Club Hall Meeting