

# EAGLE'S POINTE UPDATE

November 2020

EAGLE'S POINTE, BLUFFTON, SC 29909

**Tree Trimming** Bids from four different tree companies were secured before the lowest responsible bid was awarded to Total Lawn Care for completion. The various arborists' expertise was utilized in helping determine what trees needed to be trimmed and what trees needed to be removed. Safety matters, optimum growth factors for other trees in the area, resident requests, cosmetics, impact on surrounding areas and cost were all factors in the final decision. Tree care is also an integral part of our annual Emergency Preparedness efforts. The work was completed last week. While some tree and area specific minor work has occurred randomly it has been many years since concerted community wide tree work has been completed.

We understand there are some questions regarding the removal of the crepe myrtles at the pool. This unanimous decision was made based upon the recommendation of our pool cleaning service due to the added strain the crepe myrtles have put on our pool filtering system and cleaning process. Next year we have to upgrade the filtering system, in part, due to the strain on the current system at a cost of over \$18,000. We believe it is a fiscally prudent move over the longterm. Prior to the pool's reopening it is the Board's intent to explore planting palm trees where the crepe myrtles were removed. Once cost estimates are obtained, then a decision will be made.

**Pipe Work at Lake** Initial work on the pipe project has been completed. When the work was awarded we were told this project would be completed quickly. However, disappointing contractor delays and the need for a week of dry weather have held the project completion up. We are pushing the contractor to get this done!

**Amenity Update** Currently, the following amenities are open: tennis/pickle ball courts, bocce ball court and the basketball court. The pavilion area is open for small group informal activities. No reservations are being honored at this time. Pavilion use is on a first come, first served basis. The bathroom facilities, at the pavilion, are also open for utilization. A reminder, a signed waiver is necessary for amenity use. Areas that are currently closed include the swimming pool, fitness center, and playground area.

The board continues to assess these matters at least on a monthly basis. Local and state infection rates, new CDC guidance and our ability to comply with that guidance, within a fiscally prudent manner, are all elements of our decision-making process. The extra cleaning costs associated with amenity openings do add strain to the budget. While we realize certain closures and modifications are not popular with all, everyone's safety is our ultimate goal. Being fiscally prudent is also a primary duty of a board. Please respect the rules of the community.

**Common Area and Front Entrance Upkeep** The fall planting of our front entrance, along with the common areas receiving a fresh coat of pine straw and additional manicuring, are all scheduled for this week. Our Beautification Committee updated planters and other areas as well. We hope you will like the efforts.

**A Matter of Safety** Due to a recent incident, we are reminding residents and guests to refrain from parking vehicles on our roads across from one another. Our roadways are not wide and when cars are parked immediately across from one another the passage is narrow. This is extremely critical when emergency vehicles need to get by. Your anticipated cooperation is appreciated.

**Mailbox Painting Clarification** If the paint on your mailbox is relatively fresh and in good order there is no need to repaint your mailbox again at this time. Mailboxes whereby the paint is faded and/or dirty need to repaint their mailbox by December 1. Rust-Oleum, Dark Hunter Green, is the approved color. Requests for the paint can be made through Bundy Management at [kathy@bundyinc.com](mailto:kathy@bundyinc.com).

**Stay Healthy & Safe!**