



Ocean Ridge Sound

Ocean Ridge Master Property Owners' Association (MPOA) – February 2023

REPORT FROM THE PRESIDENT

The Annual Meeting of the Membership met with the Ocean Ridge Master Property Owners' Association Board on January 21 at the Edisto Island Lions Club. Board members present were: Mike Atchley, Bert Koon, Ted Luckadoo, Rick Moore, Paul Oakley, Jason Sheffield, and SW Community Services representatives: Deborah Hargis, Property Manager; Horace Kinsey, Out-going Property Manager; Ida Tipton, Administrative Assistant; and Steve Wagner, Owner. Iddy Andrews was absent and excused.

The Architectural Review Board (ARB) members were recognized: Bob Foster, Janet Oakley, Shelly Brown, George Perkins, and Bert Koon, who represents the MPOA. Minutes from the January 15, 2022 Annual Meeting were approved. All committee reports were given by the Board members. Results from the election were announced. Bert Koon and Ted Luckadoo were re-elected for a three-year term and Cheryl Moran, an owner in Driftwood, was elected for her first three-year term on the Board. The Board would like to thank out-going Board member, Paul Oakley for his participation during his years serving on the Board.

Reminders:

- Please pick up after your dogs, and place bags in your trash can.
- Don't put debris on empty lots.
- Remind contractors who do work for you to always haul off the debris.

If you have any questions or concerns, please contact Deborah Hargis at (843) 869-4300 or email dhargis@sw-community.com in the management office.

FINANCE

Year-end financials reveal we have once again operated within budget while maintaining prudent reserves that comply with industry standards. We accomplished all necessary tasks while adhering to budget limits. This is a remarkable accomplishment considering the economic pressure applied during 2022. The road paving project was completed, and the salaries of our security staff were increased in 2022. These accomplishments would not have been possible without your timely payment of assessments. Thanks for your support. MPOA Board member, Rick Moore has assumed the responsibilities of overseeing our finances.

SECURITY

Ocean Ridge security during the fourth quarter was relatively quiet as tourist season ended. We experienced a few domestic disputes and one arrest of a visitor for an outstanding warrant. Edisto Police patrolled our neighborhood an average of 27.1 hours per week. Trident Security continues to provide full staffing for our main gate. MPOA Board member Mike Atchley works closely with security and Edisto Beach police to assure our community is a safe environment.

ROADS AND SIGNS

A stop sign was placed at the four-way stop on Oristo Ridge. Reflectors will be placed in the curves in 2023. We will continue to monitor the effectiveness of speed humps and make changes as needed. Board member, Jason Sheffield, will assume the Roads and Signs responsibility on the MPOA Board.

BEAUTIFICATION

Plans for new landscaping for the Summerwind Gate are still in place. Our landscapers are ready to begin as soon as we get a water source for irrigation. The town is ready to install the meter as soon as they receive materials necessary to install it. Hopefully, this project will begin within 30 days.

The next projects will be cleaning the lagoons at Battery Park, Gun Bluff, and the smaller one on Club Cottage Road. The work on these lagoons will provide us with a more pleasant appearance and is also part of the endeavor to improve drainage. The existing landscaping is looking a little dreary due to the winter weather. We are working to determine what has been killed and what can be recovered in the spring. We appreciate your patience as we attempt to work through delays beyond our control. New Board member, Cheryl Moran will assume the Beautification responsibilities on the MPOA Board.

ARCHITECTURAL REVIEW BOARD

The Ocean Ridge ARB reminds owners to seek approval of any changes to the exterior of their homes and/or landscaping. The ARB meets the fourth Thursday of each month. Please contact the management office with any questions. Board member,

Bert Koon represents the MPOA Board on the ARB Board.

COMMUNICATIONS

MPOA Board member, Iddy Andrews continues to do an excellent job of keeping our property owners informed of Ocean Ridge matters.

Our annual social is scheduled for April 1, at the Lion's Club, 5:30 – 7:00 p.m. Details to follow.

To receive the most updated news about Ocean Ridge, please follow us on Facebook. If you don't have a Facebook page, you can access our page by going to www.facebook.com/oceanridgempoa. As of December 31, 2022, there are 920 people following us and we have 694 subscribers to our email list. We had an average of 553 views per month on our website in 2022. If you are not on our email list and would like to be added, contact us at oceanridgempoa@outlook.com or signup via our website.

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