

# ANNUAL REPORT TO THE HAMMOCKS PROPERTY OWNERS ASSOCIATION

Dear POA Members,

We would like to share with you all the excitement 2024 has brought to The Hammocks this year. Through it all the board has address all of the day to day operations and any new issues that have surfaced with vigor and cohesiveness. It has been a pleasure to serve with these members.

Here is a brief review of the year by our largest areas of operation/opportunities.

## WASTEWATER

Our wastewater treatment plant is over 27 years old now and with Corey Merritt's guidance with assistance from Patrick Zemp the plant is up and working as it should. We did have over problems though - 2 broken pumps and the controlling computer got fried during one of our storms, but through their dedicated hard work we are in proper operating order. These items caused our Wastewater budget to run over but with these problems resolved we do not expect any more major occurrences in 2025. Keep your fingers crossed.

DHEC did perform the 10 Compliance Evaluation Inspection on May 17, 2024 and we received a Satisfactory Report. Yea!

## WHAT CAN YOU DO TO HELP KEEP THE SYSTEM RUNNIG PROPERLY?

Make sure you have your individual septic tanks pumped out as needed, usually every 2-3 years. Knight Septic is familiar with our system but you may use whomever you choose.

Please make sure ONLY toilet paper goes into the system. Do not flush any other items into the system.

## ROADS

Mike Haas and Larry Altfather are doing a great job maintaining our roads. They are keeping the roads in good shape by Larry using shell

gravel to repair and build up the crown where needed.

## SECURITY GATE

We replaced our phone system at the gate with a mobile service instead of a ground line system. We are now able to communicate to the control software. Before AT&T could not get us a clear line to the box.

This spring and summer the gate was not working and our provider at the time could not figure out the problem. After employing a different company, ELI Controls, the gate is now working.

On a side note - by looking at the phone service we discovered we were paying AT&T approximately \$1,200 annually for the wastewater phone line AND another \$1,200 for the gate phone line. After changing to the mobile system we now pay approximately \$600 annually for the gate service and we were able to drop the land line to the wastewater all together. These changes save us around \$1,800 per year. Thank you Suzanne.

## BOAT RAMP AND DOCK

Plus mud continues to be our enemy at the ramp. Brad is working on a possible solution with the fire department.

As a reminder there should be no parking at the ramp when you launch your boat. Also, there is no overnight docking of your boat. Thanks for helping on this.

## LANDSCAPE AND TRASH REMOVAL

Household trash pick up day continues to be Monday am. Please - only BAGGED trash and trash that fits in your 96 gallon garbage can.

Road side pick up is for "blown down" limbs only. If you cut something you are responsible for taking it to the dump.

Our dumpster needs to be relocated and Rebecca Williams is working with Hugo on a solution.

For a complete review of our trash policy please refer to our website.

## SPEAKING OF OUR WEBSITE

Please visit our website at:

[thehammocksofedisto.org](http://thehammocksofedisto.org)

Many thanks to Paul Hardy for taking over the web site and updating the information.

In the future we will be referring to the web site more often.

Your board members are:

Suzanne Frierson - Treasurer (2027)

Mike Haas - at large (2025)

Paul Hardy - Secretary (2027)

Corey Merritt - at large (2026)

Bear Woodrum - President (2025)

At the annual meeting we will be electing 2 members whose term expire, Mike Haas and myself. Mike Haas and I have expressed a desire to serve for 3 more years. If anyone else would like to be considered, please send a bio to Paul Hardy, Bear Woodrum or any other board member as soon as possible.

In October we had a clean up/maintenance day with several members helping pick up trash and laying pine straw. We would like to thank May and Vic for the great job they are doing on our signs. We want to schedule another work day in the spring.

We are looking forward to great year in 2025 at the Hammocks!

Thank You,

Bear Woodrum