

SPRING 2020 NEWSLETTER

NEW MANAGEMENT COMPANY

The Board of Directors at Main Street Square are happy to announce that we have hired a new management company. Beginning on June 1, JBC Property Management will handle our community issues. Until then, any problems you might have will continue to go through Casa Bella. If you have outstanding issues please make sure the board knows about them.

WATER QUALITY

The board heard from several homeowners who were concerned about the note in our water bill. There have been elevated lead levels in some neighborhoods in Royal Oak, but we are happy to report that Main Street Square is not one of them. Thanks to homeowner Jeff Cardena who took the initiative, bought a test and set our minds at ease. Beause our community is newer than many, our pipes are not affected.

COMCAST CABLE

For many months, a cable has been hooked up to the side of one of the complex buildings, through trees, and to the box. The BOD and Casa Bella attempted numerous times to establish what the wire was for and who was responsible for it. After determining the wire belonged to Comcast, attempts were made to have the line buried, to no immediate success. Then, without notice to either Casa Bella or the BOD, Comcast buried the cable on 4/1. Comcast did not patch the area as it was in its original state, therefore, the BOD will follow up with Comcast to resolve the matter.

DTE

In early March 2020, DTE blocked off a section of the sidewalk on Allenhurst Ave. near S. Main St. After a weekend of no repairs, DTE repaired or replaced a box, paving over the section of the sidewalk with asphalt, and leaving bricks they had moved on the side of the retaining wall. The board contacted DTE in late March/early April to complain about the state the DTE crew left the sidewalk in. A ticket was put in to restore the area to its original state. However, due to the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic, DTE was unable to say if this repair would be done during or after the restrictions are lifted on non-essential projects. The BOD will follow up within a few weeks of the order being lifted if DTE has not initiated repairs yet.

COMMITTEES

It's finally spring! Although we are still practicing "social distancing", there are things we need to do for our community. We are looking for volunteers to help the board maintain Main Street Square. We are looking for homeowners interested in:

Beautification

Dedicated to beautifying the common area. Work with our landscape and garden companies.

Forward-Thinking

Dedicated to planning the future needs of the complex i.e. major projects and repairs.

Communication

Dedicated to communicating news and events to the community. Help plan gatherings and manage social media accounts and the website. The goal is to get input directly from co-owners on key aspects of life here in Main Street Square, and

report directly to the Board. The BOD feels this is a great way to get hear about what co-owners would like and collaborate with fellow neighbors. The BOD would like to virtually kick-start these committees as soon as possible. Your ideas, help and involvement will make a big impact on our community.

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