

The Dog Days of Summer are here!

The July meeting of the Service Corporation (HOA) certainly was electric! About seventy-five (75) residents were in attendance, so many that we had to move into the big room of the Riverview Club. Organized citizen participation in the management of our association is critical; I applaud those of you who came out to express dissatisfaction with the idea of a tiered HOA fee. I can assure you that the idea of structuring the fee in such a manner will not occur. We will however, within the next few months, study the gradual increase of the fee to bring the revenue more in line with current economic demands for service. We are also open to consider a hardship application for financial reasons, for those fixed income residents who request assistance. The history of purchasing power, using the Consumer

Price Index, is shown at right. As you can see, a cumulative twenty-two percent (22%) loss in purchasing power from 2000-2015 has occurred, resulting in purchasing power for 2015 dollars to be seventy-eight percent (78%) of 2000 dollars. This and other important issues are being studied by your board of directors; your participation is critical. As I said in the July meeting, when the board knows your feelings, we will lead accordingly. Remember, our meetings are on the second Thursday of every month at 7 PM at the Riverview club; I urge you to attend, as you are responsible for complying with the decisions that the board votes into force. Remember, agendas are posted on our website no later than forty-eight (48) hours prior to the meeting at www.staugshores.org.

CPI ANNUAL %, BY YEAR			
2000	3.4	2008	3.8
2001	2.8	2009	2.7
2002	1.6	2010	1.6
2003	2.3	2011	3.2
2004	2.7	2012	1.7
2005	3.4	2013	1.5
2006	3.2	2014	0.8
2007	2.8	2015	0.7

As you read this, please take the time to review the governing documents of our homeowners association, which are under the About tab, Governing documents section (make sure you look at your unit.) <http://www.staugshores.org/#!governing-documents> If you are unsure of which unit is applicable, there is a Map of the Shores under this same tab & section on the website. Revision of our governing documents is a priority, as it impacts our ability to govern properly. More recent residents will remember that their Realtor gave them a copy of the covenants and restrictions, during the purchasing process, as required by the state of Florida.

Very soon, a citizen review board (Fines Committee) will be appointed to make recommendations to the Board concerning the process that will be followed with respect to fines levied pursuant to violations of our governing documents. Please bear in mind that this process will be in compliance with Florida Statute 720.305. Also, a Resident Review and Appeal Committee, to act in oversight to the Fines Committee, will also be appointed. PLEASE VOLUNTEER! If you are a Shores property owner or resident, expect a letter from the association which outlines the process for addressing the continued violations of our deed restrictions (see Governing Documents) which was approved at the June board meeting.

Remember, this is your community I look forward to seeing you at the next meeting which will be Thursday, August 11th at 7pm, at the Riverview Club.

Sincerely, Jim Priester, President