

SAFETY COMMITTEE MEETING

JULY 13, 2009

Present: Tommy and Diane Young, Betty Jett, Helen Petty, Ken Robert and John Tarnowski

Discussion items:

1. Betty Jett inquired about having a drinking water supply on hand during the hurricane season, as well as who is responsible to purchase the bottled water. Ken Robert said he felt each individual home owner should be responsible for a limited bottle water supply in their own home for emergencies. However, Eagle Point should have water available for its staff and those volunteers working on behalf of the Park at the Security Check Point, in the Social Hall, or helping to restore the Park to a functioning community. Therefore, John Tarnowski was requested to purchase 10 twenty-four bottle cases of drinking water for the initial response to a hurricane disaster. We realize that eventually the Red Cross, Salvation Army or others will bring in bottled water when possible.
2. It was noted that instructions for generators, pumps, water and electrical systems are located in the Safety Committee Supply container in the Office.
3. Ken Robert brought up the fact that the local fire departments offer Community Emergency Response Training to communities like ours FREE OF CHARGE! You don't need physical agility to attend CERT Training. The Fire Dept. sets up three ½ day courses at the Fire Station then on the fourth day there's a little quiz and they set up a small fire pit and give a short course on the use of fire extinguishers. Everyone gets to use an extinguisher on a real fire.

Then (and this is strictly voluntary on the part of the Park) if you want, they will arrange a Disaster Drill at Eagle Point at a later date. This would be a mock disaster scenario such as a tanker truck careening off Burnt Store Road into houses on Outer Drive and 1st Street; or an aircraft crashing at Eagle Point; or lightning striking the Social Hall and causing a fire during a dinner dance.

It gives the Fire Dept., EMS, and other responders a good look at the layout of Eagle Point and prepares them to decide where to set up triage, staging areas, water sources (the Pond) and the physical layout of roads, their widths, sharp turns, dead ends and possible emergency traffic patterns.

For Eagle Point it gives us a better idea of what to expect and how we can be helpful during such a response. This is not training to become "first responders" and Eagle Point trainees are NOT expected to respond to other emergencies outside the Park.

It is also suggested that the Eagle Point staff attend this training. If the training was

scheduled during the Winter months, more residents would have an opportunity to attend. This will be discussed further at the next meeting.

The next Safety Committee meeting will be held on August 3rd at 10:00 a.m.

Meeting adjourned at 10:25 a.m.