

**General Manager's Report # 222
Gary R. Phillips, January 15, 2009**

Our first two 2009 Early Bird Payment Winners were: #1, Jan. 8, lot #612, David Kuchnicki, \$400; #2, Jan. 15, lot #1570, Frederick Jenkin, \$360.

On Jan. 14th Pat Sowry & I were interviewed a final time for the Snodgrass RRA audit for 2007. The Board should expect a report in the first week of February. As first quoted, Snodgrass will be available for an executive meeting & first presentation at the Board's pleasure. 2008 will be completed by March 31.

My year-end budget summary is attached. Other than always-unpredictable collections, income was very much as expected.

Outgoing-wise, property maintenance went over by 5.22%. Not bad at all considering this is where I summarized such big things as the new clubhouse restrooms, the used wood chipper, weed harvester repairs, and the costly 2008 gasoline & fuel oil.

Our money market interest is now just 0.500%! Thankfully we have the \$75,000 permanent carry over in 4.14% certificates of deposit! At that ½% rate (without considering compounding) \$100,000 left in the money market a full year earns just \$500.

The Village will be strongly enforcing the Feb. 15 to April 15 construction vehicle road ban this year and to that end the RRA will order and will install the requested notification signs.

Muddy water was seen entering Sugar Creek from an upstream drilling area. We contacted the local Soil & Water Conservation Officers and they referred us to the state drilling & mining rep who asked the operators to use more soil-protective measures.

Surprisingly we have only had one single member use a credit card for the 2009 bill payments thus far. RRA members are now aware that we imposed a 5% fee to help cover the \$7,000 plus that credit card processing was costing us each year. 224 accounts with 357 lots are already cleared for 2009-10.

Many have noticed the unwelcome by-product of seal coating hard paved streets. The RRA crews will pick up what stones we

can in the spring. Many will sink into the soil and others will be pressed out of sight by the roadside tractor mowers. Members are also free to pick them up for use in yards & driveways, around mailboxes or whatever. The RRA or RSV right of way does extend more than twenty feet on either side of all of the paved subdivision roadways.

Snow plowing has been heavy as locals can imagine. Our crew has posted several 13 to 15 hour days. The trucks are all holding up well, did invest in about \$2,700 worth of plow pumps & parts including 3 new cutting blades on Jan. 14th.

For those that plan ahead, the Spring OLCA meeting will be held at Hide-A-Way Hills on May 13 & 14. The Fall meeting will be at Holiday Lakes on September 23 & 24.