

W.M.P.O.A.

BOARD MEETING

MARCH 20th 2010

The Elements : Once again since our last Board Meeting the staff has had to battle the elements of winter, I wrote a small article for The Mountaineer thanking the residents of the Mountain for their patience with our handling of snow covered roads, I stressed that unless it is absolutely necessary that you have to get off of the Mountain “ please stay home “ we are very limited as far as equipment is concerned to deal with snow and ice on the Mountain, but we do the best we can as quick as we can. The last snow storm stretched us to the limit as it came down hard and fast, but we had all roads drivable by 3pm that day.

Swimming Pool : The cover is off of the pool, the motors are hooked up and pumps running, over the winter months a number of pool tile have fallen off, we will have to drain the pool below tile level and re attach the tile, we will be doing the usual to have the Pool ready for opening day, but this year we will be adding an additional concrete slab for picnic tables this will be just a continuation of the existing slab.

Pool Monitors: Pool Monitors will again be policing the pool this year, one has already been interviewed and hired ,Anna Woodring , the other young lady will be interviewed later this month. We will still have to rely on a volunteer to open the pool Sunday mornings, this year the pool will not open until noon on Mondays to allow us to vacuum the pool from weekend use.

Forestry Commission Visit: Unfortunately I was unable to attend the meeting and tour of the Mountain with the Forestry Commission to access our Fire Wise commitment but I understand all went well. Thanks to Susan Harden and Fred Trice.

New Cameras: Since our last meeting I have been in contact with Wyndle Bates of Automated Creations that had the low bid on cameras for our gates, the Board requested that I get further cost on installation of a camera and ancillary equipment for the pool. I hope to have that information for you by the March 20th our next Board Meeting.

Georgia Rural Water Authority: Micky Spinks an instructor with the G.R.W.A and former E.P.D. Inspector paid us a surprise visit two weeks ago just to see how things were going on the Mountain and also inform us of the 2010 G.R.W.A Educational schedule and some changes that were in the pipeline in regards to State requirements. Both Danny and I had a fruitful meeting with Micky and learned a lot, we also picked up the new Sanitary Survey forms which the Inspector fills out during their inspection, both Danny and I were grateful that we had this inside information, as our Sanitary Survey by the E.P.D. is scheduled for 2011.

About three years ago at the G.R.W.A. Annual Conference Bill Defino our area E.P.D.

inspector approached me because he had heard about our success with our new Leak Detector that we had purchased from Metro Tech and the system we had put in place to reduce our lost revenue water at that time approximately 76%. He asked me to write a paper for the Environmental Protection Division so that they may use it at Conferences and seminars, this I did , and it is now used as a teaching tool for water distribution systems with lost revenue water, to show what can be achieved with the technology today.

Micky Spinxs apparently heard about the paper and now wants to use it as a teaching aid for G.R.W.A. and insert the article in their quarterly magazine. They are also doing an article “Women and Water” so they will be coming to visit with Heather our Class 3 Operator , this is great public relations for the Mountain Everyone apparently has their 15 minutes of fame I guess this is ours.