

One might say that in the scheme of things, it seems to have been a normal year for an association like ours.

We negotiated, purchased, and are now successfully operating a sewer system to service our facilities and amenities; completed an update of our Architectural Control Rules and Regulations Guidelines to better accommodate our property owners for today's needs; evaluated, pursued, and completed the physical approval and legal paperwork necessary to extend one of our property owner protective covenants that otherwise would have expired next year; and have virtually completed a rewrite of our Security policies, procedures, and Patrolman requirements to better partner with our County and State law enforcement agencies.

Participation in all our venues from Cabin Rentals to Recreation Department Activities to Golf Course and Lake Usage are all Up, and we were able to inform our membership in August that no dues increases, other than the standard consumer price index, will be necessary for us to accomplish the improvements we have planned for 2017.

Oh yes, we were also able to reduce our Association's Debt by almost \$200,000 this year.

We have much for which to be thankful, and many to thank. In a time where it is obvious that there can be considerable disagreement in the 'whether to and how', our volunteers continue to work together to allow our Association to offer our 40 + year Community a comfort, enjoyment and peacefulness that is to be treasured.

Have a Wonderful Holiday Season

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