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We trust that our friends and neighbors have continued to avoid the COVID virus and will be able to enjoy our wonderful Community.

Though we have not sent a Snippets for a while, work has continued and as this note is written your Board has already begun planning for 2021.

The major projects which began early last year, notably landscaping and painting, were followed by enhancements to our irrigation system, tree trimming, water features and numerous repairs on a regular basis. From the perspective of the Master Board, responding to COVID affected all sections and managing amenities required ongoing attention and adjustments. The FW Surface Water system has, and continues to present a need for focused attention, as does our streets and common properties.

As typically happens this time of year, we now begin to prepare our 2021 Budget which involves both ongoing maintenance and planned enhancements. One large project this year is driven by the age of our fire suppression system. Specifically, the sprinkler heads found in each of our units have reached their replacement dates. We are looking at alternatives such as testing existing heads rather than replacements. If, however, testing finds any problems, we are required to expand the project to replacement for the entire affected building(s).

There is more of course, but along with Budget prep and presenting it for approval, our annual election of Board members again is on the agenda.

You will be getting material on this from Guardian, but we wanted to take this opportunity to remind all our owners of the 2021 Cascades Board election process. In particular, while we are aware some of the existing members do plan to run again, there is opening(s). In fact, if possible, we would like to see our Board expand from 5 to 7 members. Frankly, it would allow not only fresh viewpoints and representation, it would also allow us to spread the workload a bit. Please do consider it.

PS

As we write this, we are informed by the President of Jasmine that a car was robbed. Please be reminded that not all are as kind as we, so LOCK your cars.!! We would also ask, please keep your eyes open for strangers in our midst!

Stay well!