

News from the PIPOA- Marvin Jones, President

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As always, let me have your thoughts. You can reach me at marvin@pipoa.net or call at 469-231-3485.

Short Term Rentals- The PIPOA Short Term Rental Committee met on Tuesday, October 6, 2020, to examine the issues surrounding short term rentals. The committee members include me, Polly Balzer, the PIPOA ISAC Representative, and four members of the community. Every member that applied to be on the committee was appointed to the committee. That is, there were four members apply, and all four are on the committee.

The committee's mission is to make recommendations to the Board of Directors regarding where short term rentals should be allowed within the PIPOA, enforcement of the rules, and how to convince the City to use a portion of the Hotel/Motel tax on the Island for maintenance, and police protection. In addition, the committee is creating a survey/questionnaire to be sent to all members of the PIPOA to obtain their views on short term rentals. Please email me at marvin@pipoa.net or call me at 469-231-3485 to discuss short term rentals.

Billish Park- The City of Corpus Christi owns Billish Park. However, the City and the PIPOA entered into a joint agreement in 2016 or 2017 for the upgrade of Billish Park. The PIPOA invested approximately \$150,000, and the City invested approximately \$410,000 for the upgrade. As per the contractual agreement signed by Brent Moore, the then President of the PIPOA, the PIPOA is responsible for maintaining the park. The PIPOA will spend approximately \$80,000 this year for maintenance, replacement of equipment, fertilizer, weed killer, and so on. It costs a lot of money to maintain approximately 11 acres of parkland.

Some members of the community have suggested that the PIPOA adopt a park on the Northside of the PIPOA. Please compare Billish park to Douden park or Aquarius park. The maintenance and amenities at Douden and Aquarius park (owned and maintained by the City) are significantly below Billish park. The City claims they have a lack of funds to maintain Douden and Aquarius park. Please email me your thoughts at marvin@pipoa.net regarding adding a second park to the PIPOA maintenance program.

Litter Critter- Executive Director Jim Smock and I met with the head of the City of Corpus Christi Solid Waste Director. The purpose of the meeting was to discuss ways in which the City could work with the PIPOA to provide more trash and solid waste removal service. The first discussion concerned, "LITTER CRITTER." Please recall, litter critter was a City program that provided large roll-off dumpsters for members to bring their assorted trash. The most recent version of this program, which I and Joe Hall managed to organize with Council Person, Paulette Guajardo, provided a once per month pickup, then it went to every other month, and then it went to once per quarter. As per our meeting, the City will no longer provide "LITTER CRITTER." The reason given was a lack of funds.