

Long Bay Hills Newsletter

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Road Paving & Secondary Road filling

The road paving works have finished however we are still \$9000 short to complete the project as the actual measurement showed an increase over the estimated miles paved. For all of you who are enjoying the paved road and can help at this time and haven't already donated, please do so. You can contact Kathi Barrington by phone or email and she will arrange to pick up your donation. If you cannot help right now we would be happy to accept your pledge of funds for a future date for these works.

The aprons for Banana Patch Lane, Lignum Vitae and Curlew Drive will commence this week. The latter two aprons are high traffic areas so really need the apron to protect the road. Please donate to the apron project if you can as this was not included in the overall paving contract. The curbing for Seasage Hill Road is being looked at now and hopefully this project will complete within a month and before any heavy rains occur.

The 5mph speed bump at the entrance to LBH's has been ordered and we will be placing a further two gentler speed bumps along the straightaways to control speeds. The speed limit signage and speed bump signage will be ordered shortly and installed once it arrives on island. Please help if you can by contacting katmike@tciway.tc

Secondary road works are progressing with the Beach Drive first followed by Lignum Vitae, Seasage Hill Road and Flame Tree Circle and so on. The roads will be filled, compacted and then graded providing a longer lasting repair than grading only.

AGM

Our AGM was held on **March 16, 2010, at 7pm** at the Graceway Sports Center. The minutes from the AGM have been uploaded to the LBHPOA website where members can log onto the "members only" section and review the minutes.

Kathi Barrington will be providing the passwords to paid up members within the next two weeks so if you haven't heard from her by then please contact her for your password.

Annual dues for 2010/2011 were due the end of February 2010 so if you haven't had a chance to pay your dues please contact Treasurer Kathi Barrington now on katmike@tciway.tc so she can register you and provide you with your password for the LBHPOA website.

We thank all of those members who attended or provided their proxy for the AGM and look forward to further input from all owners for this next year.

AGM



Neighborhood
Watch

Neighborhood Watch

Camille Slattery, with assistance from Kathi Barrington, set up our Neighborhood Watch for LBH's and has done an excellent job. We are very grateful to them for this service and in particular to Camille for keeping us all informed regarding incidents that occurred in LBH's and other areas. She liaises with Fred Skovberg who is the NW Coordinator for TCI and passes on information from incident reports, CAPPs, and other issues involving the various NW programs throughout Provo. One of the findings she has advised on is that radios are the most effective way of communication for NW and that she is happy to order a bulk supply of radios so anyone wanting to purchase one can contact her directly to arrange this.

Camille has advised that she can no longer stay on as a Director of LBHPOA nor lead the NW program due to other commitments and we want to thank her for her service. She has advised she will stay on until a new NW coordinator for LBH's takes over.

It was agreed at the last AGM that NW will run independently of the LBHPOA and to that end anyone residing in LBH's can head up our NW.

Camille is looking for volunteers to lead the NW program and would appreciate hearing from anyone interested. Please email her on camille@tcipay.tc.

Please note that all residents of LBH's, whether owners or renters, are welcome to participate in NW and receive incident reports. Donations are appreciated from renters as well as annual dues from owners to help fund security improvements.

Neighborhood Watch is very effective once you know your neighbors, have their phone numbers and other contacts and rely on each other to assist in times of trouble.

It is also more effective to have your house number installed at your entrance just off the road side to direct emergency services and those wishing to help you in times of trouble so please contact Juliette Gooding on 911mgr@gmail.com to obtain your house number if you haven't already done so.

Annual LBH's BBQ

Your Board of Directors would like to start planning our second annual BBQ for LBH's residents. Please let us know which dates suit you, your family and friends best.

May 22nd, June 19th or July 10th. We hope to have an even bigger turnout than last summer so please let us know your date preference. We will follow last year's plan and ask everyone to bring a dish and their own beverages!

Email news@longbayhills.com with your replies.

Green Spot by Marsha Pardee, marine ecologist

Dune Plants and Uses

Bay Tansy



Bay Tansy or Soap Bush (*Ambrosia hispida*) is another one of my personal favorites due to its wonderfully pungent smell. This plant has long vine like stems that grow along the ground with lacey fernlike leaves on alternate sides. You will have to look close for the tiny flowers that are only millimeters in diameter. The leaves actually feel kind of coarse to the touch, but will leave a really nice smell on your hands.

Medicinally, it is said that the plant has antihistaminic properties and a tea is made for colds and allergies. It has also been used to help control mild skin irritations and historically in the making of soaps as per its more common name.

Sources: Local author and LBH property owner, Kathleen McNary Wood, *Flowers of the Bahamas and Turks and Caicos Islands*.

David. W. Nellis, *Seashore Plants of South Florida and the Caribbean*