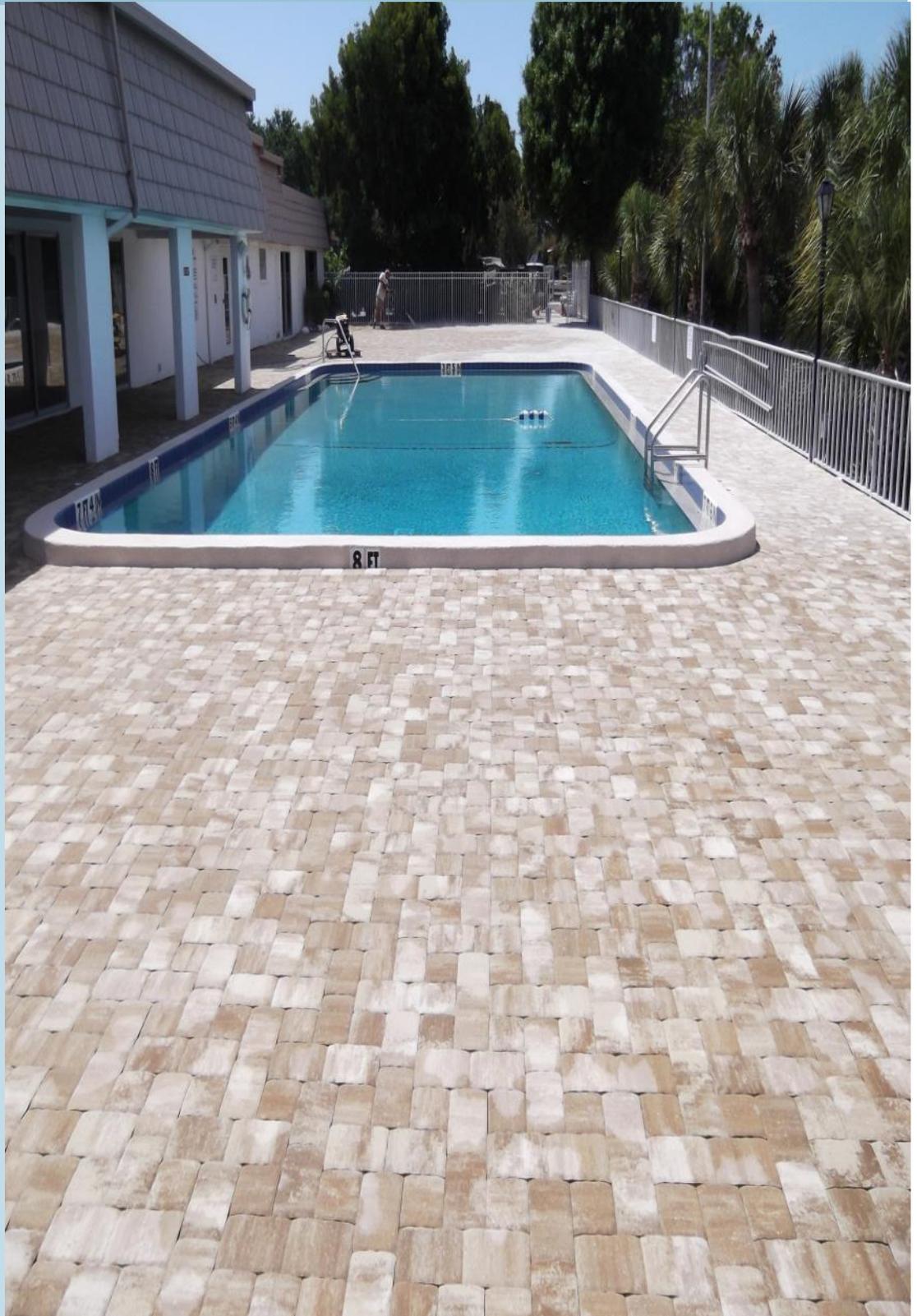


# News & Views

**MAY, 2024 NEWSLETTER**

**2700 RIVERBLUFF PKWY, SARASOTA FL 34231**

## **Strathmore Riverside Villas** **A 55+ Community**



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President	<b>Bob Martucci</b> (2024 TL)
Vice President	<b>John Calia</b> (2024 TL)
Secretary	To Be Determined
Treasurer	Karen Conine (2025) Roy Lawson (2024) Rolo Miles (2025) Carl Shepherd (2024)
Asst Secretary	To Be Determined
Asst Treasurer	John Calia

**Note:** Executive Committee is listed in bold.  
\*TL denotes "Term Limit"

## Committees

Audit	Roy Lawson
Building	John Calia
Calendar	Sarah Daley - Office
CAM	Sarah Daley
Clubhouse	Rolo Miles
Communication	Mary Hoch
Dock Master	Bill Hallisey
Elections Committee	To Be Determined
Finance & Budget	Karen Conine
Grounds	Carl Shepherd
Hurricane Committee	Marcia Lawson
Insurance	Roy Lawson
Legal Committee	To Be Determined
Library	To Be Determined
Maintenance	Lance Strahorn
Newsletter Editor	Carol Maccio
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Public Relations	Mary Hoch
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# MAY





## WIND MITIGATION REPORTS:

We have secured Patek Inspections to do mitigation reports, so that both SRV and the 185 villas that received new roofs may obtain discounts to help lower insurance costs. The company that will be doing the inspections is familiar with SRV, as they did the reports approximately 2 years ago. The tentative date to start the inspections is the first week in May. This depends on the work schedules of the crew, but now looks pretty good. The inspection company is estimating that they can complete the job in 3 days. The company will provide the reports to us in an electronic form, to be sent to Citizens Insurance. SRV will then send each resident their individual report to send to their private insurance company.

## VERY IMPORTANT:

It is extremely important that the inspection company has access to the attic in each villa, to take pictures and verify the proper nail patterns were applied. This only applies to the villas that received new roofs. We will notify you with as much advanced notice as possible, so that you can make access available. If the SRV office has your away key, that is a big help, or is there a neighbor that can help. If the inspector cannot access your attic, you may miss out on some important discounts that are available to you.

Please notify the office of anyone who needs any additional assistance.

Any other owners may obtain a copy of their report from 2 years ago from the office.

Roy Lawson, Insurance Liaison

## April Financial Report 2024 Financials

I am happy to say that I am presenting the December 2023 financials to the Board for approval. This report has been long in coming, but it is time to approve it and pass it on to our auditor for review. The December financials show that SRV ended 2023 with a surplus of \$236,100 in the operating account.

### Reserve Accounts

RM has updated the reserve account to reflect the latest balances. SRV current balance is \$954,972. The current spreadsheet is attached.

### Delinquent Accounts

The total delinquent account is \$31,115.35, down slightly from last month. SRV has collected another outstanding debt of over \$2,000. Other residents have paid balances in the past month. The significant observation is that about 6 residents haven't paid their April assessment and several others paid theirs late. Residents who do not pay by the 7<sup>th</sup> of each month are charged a \$25 late fee, so it is to the owners' advantage to pay on time and save money.

### January, February, March Financials

Currently, I do not have reports on the financials for the past three months. When we received the reviewed financials from RM for January and February (March 28) the balance sheets for both did not balance. Since I had personal commitments following our last board meeting, I did not see those reports until mid-April. The reports could not have been reviewed with such obvious errors in a major report. With that and additional continuing RM problems, the Finance Committee asks the Board of Directors to send a letter to RM leaders stating our dissatisfaction with their service. The committee has drafted a letter stating examples of the problems we have had with their service and we ask that the Board ask the President to sign this letter or a letter like it and send it to RM immediately.

Karen Conine  
SRV Treasurer

**SRV Treasurer's Report**

Month Ending **December 31, 2023**

**SRV Balance Sheet**

**Assets**

		Funds	
Checking /Savings	\$	1,023,138.00	
Reserves	\$	994,865.00	
Roofing Reserve	\$	2,809,933.00	
Insurance	\$	743,714.00	
Assessment HOA Receivable	\$	49,312.00	
Allowance for Doubtful Accounts	\$	(17,630.00)	
Other Assets	\$	101,139.00	
<b>Total Assets</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>5,704,471.00</b>	

**Liabilities**

Accounts Payable	\$	812,815.00	
ABC Roof Claim	\$	2,809,933.00	
Reserves	\$	994,865.00	
Other Liabilities	\$	167,860.00	
<b>Total Liabilities</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>4,785,473.00</b>	

**Total Equity** \$ 918,998.00

**Comments:**

SRV ended 2023 in good shape.

**SRV Financial Report**

**April 25, 2024**

# Owners	Time in Arrears	Amount
34	Owners in arrears for a total of	\$ 31,115.39
	Less than 2 months for a total of	\$ 10,485.00
	Less than 3 months for a total of	\$ 3,095.98
	Three + months in arrears	\$ 17,534.48

**Legal action is in process on X accounts**

A second account with a substantial balance has been paid off this year  
 4 accounts are with or approved to be sent to the attorney  
 2 accounts are awaiting answers from RM before being sent to the attorney  
 6 residents did not pay the April assessment

**SRV Treasurer's Report**

For the Period Ending 12/31/2023

**SRV Summary of Revenue and Expense**

		For the Month - February			Year to Date		
		Budget / Plan	Actual	Variance Favorable / (Unfavorable)	Budget / Plan	Actual	Variance Favorable / (Unfavorable)
Revenue	Total Revenue	\$ 169,532.00	\$ 201,965.00	\$ 32,433.00	\$ 2,034,386.00	\$ 2,220,201.00	\$ 185,815.00
Expense	Expense Account						
	Grounds	\$ 23,058.00	\$ 18,516.00	\$ 4,542.00	\$ 250,824.00	\$ 218,752.00	\$ 32,072.00
	Building Maintenance	\$ 3,236.00	\$ 4,893.00	\$ (1,657.00)	\$ 25,250.00	\$ 40,719.00	\$ (15,469.00)
	Recreation Facilities	\$ 1,916.00	\$ 1,635.00	\$ 281.00	\$ 24,700.00	\$ 16,870.00	\$ 7,830.00
	Utilities	\$ 47,040.00	\$ 3,647.00	\$ 43,393.00	\$ 507,550.00	\$ 508,226.00	\$ (676.00)
	Payroll	\$ 12,716.00	\$ 21,542.00	\$ (8,826.00)	\$ 148,982.00	\$ 99,690.00	\$ 49,292.00
	Insurance	\$ 98,268.00	\$ 81,945.00	\$ 16,323.00	\$ 981,367.00	\$ 898,001.00	\$ 83,366.00
	Administration	\$ 13,567.00	\$ 22,457.00	\$ (8,890.00)	\$ 95,713.00	\$ 111,843.00	\$ (16,130.00)
	<b>Total Expense</b>	<b>\$ 199,801.00</b>	<b>\$ 154,635.00</b>	<b>\$ 45,166.00</b>	<b>\$ 2,034,386.00</b>	<b>\$ 1,894,101.00</b>	<b>\$ 156,415.00</b>
<b>Net Income</b>		<b>\$ 47,330.00</b>	<b>\$ 77,599.00</b>		<b>\$ 326,100.00</b>	<b>\$ 342,230.00</b>	

**Comments:**

SRV ended 2023 with revenue left in our budget. Expenses were underspend. That says we have a very good 2023.

**STRATHMORE RIVERSIDE VILLAS  
RESERVE 2024**

		Est Repair Cost	2023 Ending Balance/Beginning 2024	2024 Allocation	Expenditures 2024	JAN BALANCE	FEB	MAR	2024 Ending Addition to Reserve
3670	AC- Rec Room	30,188	18,084	3,403		284	284	284	21,487
3690	Club House Improvement	59,010	17,519	5,445		454	454	454	22,964
3680	Club House Roof	99,960	-	6,385		532	532	532	6,385
3695	Club House Sauna/Restrooms	22,050	3,318	1,983		165	165	165	5,301
3810	Creek House/Remodel/Furnishing/Roof	44,363	(2,735)	1,400		117	117	117	(1,335)
3610	Deck Resurfacing	25,515	9,838	1,541		128	128	128	11,379
3625	Exercise Equipment	10,500	4,165	1,715		143	143	143	5,880
3640	Fence/Servellance System	158,550	4,899	5,572		464	464	464	10,471
3845	Irrigation System	84,000	6,382	5,137		428	428	428	11,519
3630	Maint Equip/Building/Shed/Roof	5,775	5,775	289		24	24	24	6,064
3860	Marina Docks	189,000	87,580	55,435		4,620	4,620	4,620	143,015
3660	Painting	75,000	110,095	38,709	67,034	3,226	3,226	3,226	81,770
3650	Paving	609,000	378,492	84,578		7,048	7,048	7,048	463,070
3620	Pool Heater/Equipment	49,350	5,547	3,856		321	321	321	9,403
3615	Pool Structural/Pump House Res	57,750	34,920	25,718		2,143	2,143	2,143	60,638
3830	Seawall/SateliteDocks (Common Area)	395,850	153,682	19,016		1,585	1,585	1,585	172,698
3635	Shuffleboard	7,875	700	378		32	32	32	1,078
3865	Utility Carts	15,750	7,237	1,860		155	155	155	9,097
3840	Water Lines/Sewer	157,500	84,697	20,170		1,681	1,681	1,681	104,867
3890	Reserve Interest		18,356			958	882	965	
	<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>1,841,415</b>	<b>948,551</b>	<b>282,590</b>	<b>67,034</b>	<b>24,508</b>	<b>24,432</b>	<b>24,515</b>	<b>954,972</b>

MONTHLY ACCOUNT TOTAL

MONTHLY CONTROBUTION PER VILLA

70.09

April 11, 2024  
Special Members Vote

Election Committee Report

Good news — 260 owners voted — a significant increase from the past several years! Let's hope we continue to see an increase in the number of owners who vote.

None of the 5 proposed amendments passed. Each villa is allowed one vote. A 2/3 Yes Vote from all owners in each Section is required to pass an amendment. The Vote Tally Results summarizing each Section's Yes and No votes for each proposed amendment was emailed to owners on April 11 and a copy is also included with this report.

There were 134 e-votes and 126 paper votes. Below is a breakdown by Section of owners who voted. Please note that not all the voters voted on all 5 of the proposed amendments.

Section 1 has 126 Villas –	94 owners voted.
Section 2 has 118 Villas –	92 owners voted.
Section 3 has <u>92</u> Villas –	<u>74</u> owners voted.
336	260 owners voted.

Remember, it is important that owners notify the SRV Office of email and/or mailing address changes.

It's easy to e-vote. You don't need to worry about receiving the voting packet at the correct mailing address. Please consider signing up for e-voting. If you no longer wish to be an e-voter, please submit the Revoke form to ensure you receive a paper voting packet via USPS.

Whether you e-vote or vote via paper, please vote!

Thanks to Sarah for her assistance responding to owner requests and handling many details for this special vote.

Many thanks to the Election Committee members for their assistance registering, sorting, counting, tallying by Section, and all the detailed tasks involved in the election process – Liz Clements, Lil Doherty, BJ Dunham, Darlene Hassinger, Kathy Kelley, Jeane Moore, Sandy Needles, Lynda Nugent, Louise Pearson and Joyce Showalter.

Linda Meyer, Election Committee Chair and  
Project Manager for Electronic Voting

<b>Amendment 1 - Consolidation of Sections</b>					
126 villas	<b>Section 1</b>	<b>YES</b>	<b>Section 1</b>	<b>NO</b>	<b>Total Section YES + NO</b>
	E-votes Yes	38	E-votes No	10	48
	Paper Yes	19	Paper No	25	44
<b>84 needed to pass</b>	<b>Total Section YES</b>	<b>57</b>	<b>Total Section NO</b>	<b>35</b>	<b>92</b>
118 Villas	<b>Section 2</b>	<b>YES</b>	<b>Section 2</b>	<b>NO</b>	
	E-votes Yes	43	E-votes No	2	45
	Paper Yes	30	Paper No	16	46
<b>79 needed to pass</b>	<b>Total Section YES</b>	<b>73</b>	<b>Total Section NO</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>91</b>
92 Villas	<b>Section 3</b>	<b>YES</b>	<b>Section 3</b>	<b>NO</b>	
	E-votes Yes	35	E-votes No	5	40
	Paper Yes	17	Paper No	17	34
<b>61 needed to pass</b>	<b>Section Total YES</b>	<b>52</b>	<b>Total Section NO</b>	<b>22</b>	<b>74</b>
	<b>TOTAL ALL 3 SECTIONS</b>	<b>182</b>		<b>75</b>	<b>257</b>
<b>Amendment 2 - Threshold Reduction</b>					
126 villas	<b>Section 1</b>	<b>YES</b>	<b>Section 1</b>	<b>NO</b>	<b>Section Total YES + NO</b>
	E-votes Yes	30	E-votes No	19	49
	Paper Yes	12	Paper No	33	45
<b>84 needed to pass</b>	<b>Section Total YES</b>	<b>42</b>	<b>Section Total NO</b>	<b>52</b>	<b>94</b>
118 Villas	<b>Section 2</b>	<b>YES</b>	<b>Section 2</b>	<b>NO</b>	
	E-votes Yes	37	E-votes No	8	45
	Paper Yes	25	Paper No	21	46
<b>79 needed to pass</b>	<b>Section Total YES</b>	<b>62</b>	<b>Section Total NO</b>	<b>29</b>	<b>91</b>
92 Villas	<b>Section 3</b>	<b>YES</b>	<b>Section 3</b>	<b>NO</b>	
	E-votes Yes	25	E-votes No	15	40
	Paper Yes	11	Paper No	23	34
<b>61 needed to pass</b>	<b>Section Total YES</b>	<b>36</b>	<b>Section Total NO</b>	<b>38</b>	<b>74</b>
	<b>TOTAL ALL 3 SECTIONS</b>	<b>140</b>		<b>119</b>	<b>259</b>
<b>Amendment 3 - Unit Work Clarifications</b>					
126 villas	<b>Section 1</b>	<b>YES</b>	<b>Section 1</b>	<b>NO</b>	<b>Section Total YES + NO</b>
	E-votes Yes	36	E-votes No	11	47
	Paper Yes	16	Paper No	29	45
<b>84 needed to pass</b>	<b>Section Total YES</b>	<b>52</b>	<b>Section Total NO</b>	<b>40</b>	<b>92</b>
118 Villas	<b>Section 2</b>	<b>YES</b>	<b>Section 2</b>	<b>NO</b>	
	E-votes Yes	39	E-votes No	6	45
	Paper Yes	27	Paper No	19	46
<b>79 needed to pass</b>	<b>Section Total YES</b>	<b>66</b>	<b>Section Total NO</b>	<b>25</b>	<b>91</b>
92 Villas	<b>Section 3</b>	<b>YES</b>	<b>Section 3</b>	<b>NO</b>	
	E-votes Yes	32	E-votes No	8	40
	Paper Yes	17	Paper No	16	33
<b>61 needed to pass</b>	<b>Section Total YES</b>	<b>49</b>	<b>Section Total NO</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>73</b>
	<b>TOTAL ALL 3 SECTIONS</b>	<b>167</b>		<b>89</b>	<b>256</b>

<b>Amendment 4 - Elimination of Dog Size Limitations</b>					
126 villas	<b>Section 1</b>	<b>YES</b>	<b>Section 1</b>	<b>NO</b>	<b>Section Total YES + NO</b>
	E-votes Yes	21	E-votes No	27	48
	Paper Yes	13	Paper No	32	45
<b>84 needed to pass</b>	<b>Section Total YES</b>	<b>34</b>	<b>Section Total NO</b>	<b>59</b>	<b>93</b>
118 Villas	<b>Section 2</b>	<b>YES</b>	<b>Section 2</b>	<b>NO</b>	
	E-votes Yes	26	E-votes No	19	45
	Paper Yes	23	Paper No	24	47
<b>79 needed to pass</b>	<b>Section Total YES</b>	<b>49</b>	<b>Section Total NO</b>	<b>43</b>	<b>92</b>
92 Villas	<b>Section 3</b>	<b>YES</b>	<b>Section 3</b>	<b>NO</b>	
	E-votes Yes	20	E-votes No	20	40
	Paper Yes	13	Paper No	21	34
<b>61 needed to pass</b>	<b>Section Total YES</b>	<b>33</b>	<b>Section Total NO</b>	<b>41</b>	<b>74</b>
	<b>TOTAL ALL 3 SECTIONS</b>	<b>116</b>		<b>143</b>	<b>259</b>
<b>Amendment 5 - Domestic Partners</b>					
126 villas	<b>Section 1</b>	<b>YES</b>	<b>Section 1</b>	<b>NO</b>	<b>Section Total YES + NO</b>
	E-votes Yes	36	E-votes No	11	47
	Paper Yes	20	Paper No	25	45
<b>84 needed to pass</b>	<b>Section Total YES</b>	<b>56</b>	<b>Section Total NO</b>	<b>36</b>	<b>92</b>
118 Villas	<b>Section 2</b>	<b>YES</b>	<b>Section 2</b>	<b>NO</b>	
	E-votes Yes	39	E-votes No	6	45
	Paper Yes	30	Paper No	16	46
<b>84 needed to pass</b>	<b>Section Total YES</b>	<b>69</b>	<b>Section Total NO</b>	<b>22</b>	<b>91</b>
92 Villas	<b>Section 3</b>	<b>YES</b>	<b>Section 3</b>	<b>NO</b>	
	E-votes Yes	32	E-votes No	8	40
	Paper Yes	16	Paper No	17	33
<b>84 needed to pass</b>	<b>Total Section YES</b>	<b>48</b>	<b>Total Section NO</b>	<b>25</b>	<b>73</b>
	<b>TOTAL ALL 3 SECTIONS</b>	<b>173</b>		<b>83</b>	<b>256</b>

## LIBRARY REPORT

Books checked-out and returned this last month totaled 168. 80 hardbacks and 88 paperbacks.

### Hardbacks

Martin. The Chancellor. 2021  
 Kellerman. Unnatural History. 2023  
 Brown. Out of nowhere. 2023

Thank you for using SRV's Library!!

Respectively Submitted,

Jerry Stuenkel, JoAnn Stout, Georgene Zechman

**May 2024**

**News and Views**

This year we tried something different. We held an election while our part time residents were still in town. We promoted voting so much some residents were tired of getting messages.

Thanks to Sarah, Linda Myers and her election staff, all votes were broken down by amendment, section, E-vote yes and E-vote no, Paper vote yes and Paper vote no.

Some valuable statistics were gained by this break down. Here we go:

A majority of owners using paper ballots vote no. Section 1, percentage related leads SRV with paper ballot voting and total no votes. More E-ballot voters vote yes for amendment items. This may break down to age or tenure within SRV.

27% of section 1 owners did not vote. 23% of section 2 did not vote. 20% of section 3 did not vote.

Sections 2 and 3 had at least 16 owners using paper ballots voting no across the board. I'm sure their reasons may vary but many of those people do not want change.

We usually have at least 100 NON voters. This year there were 79 NON voters. This means throughout SRV only 32 NO votes would have been needed to kill any amendment. When our attorney spoke to us during the town hall meeting, he stated that many communities have made the change to eliminate nonvoting owners because they stifle any votes that need to be taken to advance a community.

If you are against any change within SRV, this election was a win for you. If you are concerned that eliminating NON-voters will put a small group in charge of SRV, you've proved that to be correct. The NON-voters continue to control voting at SRV. There is no doubt the owners that don't want change are very aware of the help NON-voters give them. I ask this question to all of you, have you ever heard any of the owners within SRV state a valid reason for rejecting change? They won't come out and publicly give any reason that a reasonable person could say, well that makes sense. The reasons I have heard have actually stunned me and also made me laugh. Trailers will sink in the storage area, my wife and I just don't want change; this comes from a board member that is supposed to represent all 336 owners, the water is toxic so nobody should kayak from SRV, gator, gators, gators, all the buildings could then be painted different colors, they want to take age restrictions away so kids can live here. The list goes on but, you get the point. This is like throwing mud against a wall to see what sticks. Unfortunately, it sticks with some people and we are stuck dispelling rumors, lies and misrepresentations.

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The owners that don't vote care the least about our community and yet they are allowed to control our future.

SRV is not the same place it was 20, 30, 40 or 50 years ago. SRV, as all SRV property owners living in SRV, require more maintenance as we age. This requires change. Moving into SRV for many of us, meant leaving our home state, our children, grandchildren, friends, family and basically our former lives required change. But SRV is not allowed to move forward. SRV was the biggest loser. For those of you that have been at SRV for decades, please don't stop those that still have decades ahead of them.

Our fees continue to rise at a rapid rate. Some of this has been caused by years of not looking forward, maintenance expenses and insurance. Ideas have been pushed to create avenues for added revenue only to get shot down by those that don't vote or don't want change. Added revenue will help offset some of the increases in our fees. Voting yes to consolidate sections 1, 2 and 3 would have reduced attorney fees and saved time counting ballots. Why in the world would anyone vote no for this. It is a complete no brainer and yet out of 257 total voters, 75 voted no, 29%. 58 out of the 75 no votes were on paper ballots, 77%. When you add the non-voters plus the no votes,  $75+79=154$ , this is 46% of SRV killed amendment 1. The reason three sections were created in 1970 was to give representation to each building phase of SRV. Once construction of SRV was complete, the three sections were not needed any longer but, 54 years later because people either don't want change, don't vote, or don't understand the three voting sections are still in place.

In conclusion, when our next budget comes out and there is an increase nobody is satisfied with, look at your neighbor that doesn't want change or didn't vote. Let's start planning for the future and stop living in the past.

John Calia

Vice President

#### SALES AND RENTALS REPORT FOR APRIL

Five sales interviews were held in April: one A model for \$305,000, an E model for \$277,500, a C model for 335,000, a small model for 145,000, a D model for 348,000. Purchase price usually strongly depends on the condition of the unit.

There are 13 homes for sale in SRV with a range of \$155,000 to \$365,000.

Celia Cooper, Sales, and Rental Committee

## Clubhouse/Social/Recreation

Met with the recreation committee along with the building committee and safety about the shuffleboard project to identify what all is needed to get a complete picture of the scope of work that will be completed. We are moving forward to making this happen and it will be an amazing area for all of us. I'd really like to thank all of those that have helped get to this point and those that are continuing to move this along. I know it can be frustrating sometimes, but it's moving along with a process to keep it on track.

Next meeting is Tuesday April 30 at 2:00 at the clubhouse. All are welcome. Bring ideas, suggestions, complaints, or just come and listen if you'd like.

Upcoming Events are as follows-

- 4/27- pancake breakfast, last one of the "season".
- 5/4- Kentucky Derby party with horse races 4:30-7:30 wear your derby hat and get a free bet. \$0.25 bets please bring quarters. Bring snacks to share and BYOB. Any questions call Art or Joyce Showalter 614-890-5818.
- 5/5 Cinco de Mayo - Mexican fiesta. Taco bar \$7. Piñata with prizes. Margarita Bar BYOB (Tequila and Triple Sec).
- 5/20- Live music with Fawny. 6p.m.-9p.m. \$7 cover.
- 5/27- Memorial Day time TBD. Checking with Veterans groups. Free coffee and donuts. Visit to Veterans cemetery.
- 5/29- DJ/Karaoke Sam the Bull- More details to follow
- 6/10- Boris or DJ
- 7/4- Independence Day Celebration
- 9/2- Labor Day- Dress up like what you wanted to be when you grew up.
- 10/31- Halloween
- 2/15/25- White Winter Ball.

More to come!

Best,  
Roland 'Rolo' Miles  
Director  
Clubhouse/Social/Recreation



## GROUNDS/LANDSCAPE REPORT

APRIL, 2024

TREE REMOVAL: Three dead trees were recently removed. A palm tree across from the Clubhouse, a large palm tree in front of V223 and a large tree at the side of V167. Two of these had the stumps ground.

JATROPHA TREES: All Jatropha trees received a “hard prune”. This is the recommended maintenance required on this type of tree and is done every year in March-April. However, this pruning was not done last year and this is why some of these trees were as high as the roofs and were impacting the front of the buildings. These trees will blossom out in the next few weeks. The cost of this required annual maintenance was \$4850.00 (\$4500 trimming fee, \$350 disposal fee) A similar quote from Yellowstone Landscape was for \$6840.00

PALM TREE TRIMMING: On April 25, the Board of Directors approved a proposal from Sam’s Tree Service for trimming all required palm trees on the Property. (300-350 trees) The price is \$28.00 per tree. Other quotes considered were for \$40.00 per tree and \$47.00 per tree. You may remember Sam’s Tree Service responded to our property after Hurricane Ian and did an outstanding job. A ONE-CALL-NOW will be sent a day before this work will start, sometime in May. There will be 3 oak trees requiring trimming as well.

ARBORIST EVALUATION: At the March 28 Board meeting, approval was obtained for the hiring of a board-certified arborist to evaluate the health and condition of all oak trees on the property (perhaps 30 or more). The arborist will all provide a written report on the condition of the trees as well as proper pruning techniques for a tree trimming company to follow. This evaluation will be done in late May-early June. The canopy of all of our trees on our 65-acre property is quite beautiful. This cost is an important investment for all unit owners.

REPLACING DEAD PLANTS AND SHRUBS: Estimates will arrive soon on the 51 plants and shrubs that must be replaced. Celia Cooper and Linda Horn completed a tour of the property to identify the locations of those items. This replacement task should be completed by the end of May.

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**MULCH ENHANCEMENT:** Prices are being obtained to refresh mulch in the front of all villas, the small islands at the intersections of all roadways, as well as around the Clubhouse. This work will be completed sometime this summer.

**BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS ON RESULTS OF OUR RECENT SPECIAL MEMBERS VOTE:**

I wish to thank the entire SRV community for your participation in our Special Members Vote. The turnout was quite good. An average of 257 votes were cast on the five propositions, for a 76.4 level of participation, a rather high level compared to past years. As you know, for any proposition to pass requires a 2\3 yes vote. Therein lies the ongoing debate within our community. Either one is for or against, any one item. Some SRV residents want changes, many do not. We all have different views on the state of our SRV Community. Many owners voted YES, many voted NO. Please refrain from criticizing either camp. All votes are important. To make changes within a condominium community requires a high threshold. State of Florida recommends a 75% level. SRV declaration requires a 2\3 level.

Carl Shepherd

Board Member



## Memorial Day — 27

The last Monday of May is reserved for Memorial Day. This is the most solemn of May observances. On this day, we remember and honor the lives of those who have fallen in service of their country. Their sacrifice is part of the reason why we are able to enjoy what we have today.

Memorial Day doesn't call for a party or social gathering. Rather, this should be a day of reflection and service. It is never easy to lose a loved one, especially one who is serving overseas and may have been away from home for long periods at a time. One day out of the year doesn't fix much, but it's a nice gesture that means a lot to families who have lost those close to them.

Many Americans appreciate having the day off for a federal holiday. While it's nice to have some respite from work and school, you should aim to get more out of this day. Perhaps you could visit a local cemetery and leave behind flowers or deliver a meal to a local family you know. Even the smallest of gestures can go a long way.



***Saturday, May 4, 2024 – And They’re Off!***

SRV Derby begins at 4:30 and lasts until after the real Kentucky Derby.

***THINK HATS!!***

Wear your Derby hats to celebrate! There will be a “Hat” race where everyone wearing a hat gets a free bet!

***\$.25 bets, bring your quarters! No big bills please!***

Bring a snack or hors d’oeuvre to share with everyone.

Bring your own drinks.

Any questions, call Art or Joyce Showalter at 614-890-5818.



Sunday, May 5, 2024

5:00 – 7:00pm

Only \$7.00

Join us for a Build Your Own Taco Bar with sides of  
Rice and Beans

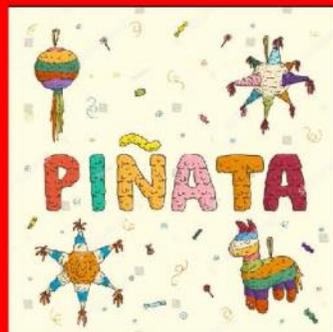
Mexican Music and Festivities!

50/50 Raffle

Pinata Filled with Prizes

BYOB Margarita Bar

(If you'd like Lesli to make a fresh Margarita for you,  
please bring Tequila and Triple Sec or alcohol of  
choice.)





## **Come on a SRV Norwegian Cruise Line's Encore Transatlantic Cruise**

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