

Harbour Island News

Board Meeting

Mark your calendars for the next Board of Directors Meeting. It will be held on September 19th at 6:00 p.m. at the home of Steve Burdian at 4439 Harbour Island Dr.

We hope to see you there.

Friendly Reminders



All exterior changes require approval. Please send in requests to management before you make a change.

The speed limit in Harbour Island is 15 mph. Please slow down to keep our pets and pedestrians safe.

Please do not park vehicles or boats on the street or on the grass.

Dogs and cats should always be leashed. Pick up after your dog.



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Harbour Island Friends and Neighbors

The board is pleased to let you know all the good news that has happened. First, I want to thank everyone for your patience during the all the work that has been done on the bridge. In 2023 we have:

- *Completed the bridge repairs within budget.*
- *Replaced the handrail within budget.*
- *Replaced rotten boards on the walkway and painted the walkway, railing, and bridge within budget.*
- *We the residents voted on and approved the increase in annual assessments (dues) so we could keep up with maintenance and future projects.*
- *The board voted and approved a new landscape company to take care of the common grounds.*

One thing we are most excited about is the board voted on and approved unanimously to change management companies. We want to welcome Diane Coelho from Gorilla Group. Diane has worked with us in the past when she was with Kingdom. We are glad she decided to leave Kingdom and start her own management company. She is very knowledgeable on state laws and us as a community. When you get the opportunity please help us give Diane a Harbour Island Welcome.

Best Wishes,

Michael P Jones, President

Harbour Island Community Association

There have been numerous individual efforts that have significantly improved the overall condition of Harbour Island significantly, including road island revitalizations, brush/bamboo clearing, marsh cleanups, etc. that . Thank you and let's keep that momentum going!

Lastly, please consider participating in our HOA meetings or serving on the board. Your participation will ensure the board is aware of, effectively prioritizes, and remains focused on the issues and concerns affecting our community.

Hurricane Season is Here. Are you ready?



Complete this checklist to ensure your home and belongings are as protected as possible before a storm event hits.

- Close and lock your windows.
- Inspect each window and door and reseal if necessary. If your doors could use some additional reinforcing, purchase and install a bolt kit from a hardware store.
- Bring all outdoor furniture, decor and children's toys inside.
- Trim any tree branches that are breaking, dead or near windows or your roof. Once a storm is threatening your area, trimming is discouraged as debris may not be picked up and can become projectiles during a storm.
- Clean out your gutters.
- Store any valuables in waterproof containers.
- Turn your refrigerator and freezer to their highest settings as a precaution to eliminate food waste due to power outage.
- Find a "safe zone" in your home. Move your hurricane supplies to your "safe zone."
- Print out your insurance coverage documents and store them in a waterproof container.
- Use surge protectors to protect your electrical appliances and property.
- Fill an extra bathtub with water if possible or fill empty gallon jugs/2-liter bottles with water to use for showering, cleaning and rinsing.

To view a full copy of the 2023 Florida Hurricane Preparedness Guide, visit <https://www.myfloridalegal.com/sites/default/files/2023-05/2023-hurricane-preparedness-guide-.pdf>.

Insurance Tips Immediately After a Hurricane

- ◇ Although you have one year from the date of loss to report a claim, report it immediately. Believing the damages are below your deductible is not a defense and the insurance company will use every day you wait against you later.
- ◇ Thoroughly document all emergency repairs before and after they are completed. Insurance companies will try to get out of paying for these services if they believe they do not have sufficient information.
- ◇ If you are displaced from your home or property, keep all invoices and receipts showing costs that you incur.
- ◇ If you have any damaged personal property, take photographs before you discard it.
- ◇ Insurance companies cannot cancel your policy while you have an open claim.
- ◇ You should speak to an attorney to understand your rights. Insurance companies will routinely request that you sign documents and give statements that can and will be used against you later.

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