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"The City with a future, watch us grow!"

Groveland City Council
City Manager's Report
February 1, 2016

Pending Action Items:

- The Parks and Recreation Division is working an application process to the National Recreation and Park Association to potentially utilize their "**Fund Your Park**" crowd funding platform to raise additional funds for our various playgrounds. Please see "**attachment 1**" for more information.
- As you may recall in 2014 staff began work to development a cross connection program. Although it is a state mandated requirement, it was discovered that the city was not in compliance for several years. By 2015 the city with assistance of our contractor "Hydrocorp" was able to conduct a first full year of running our cross connection "back flow prevention" program. Our records show a strong year of compliance (especially for a new / restarted program). The data highlights are listed below:
 - 2015 Tested Passed = 357
 - 2015 Tested Failed = 8
 - Opt-out and last tested (not tested = 106, tested = 161)
 - Compliant (facility that has a current containment assembly) = 283
 - Non-Compliant (facilities that require a containment assembly) = 75 (not all facilities have been inspected)
 - 2015 Not tested = 108 (which includes opt-out)

Staff is working to improve the number of "opt-out" untested assemblies. The program calls for non-compliant opt-out clients to have city directed contractors conduct the testing. Our first year we have not implemented this provision in the hopes of educating the public.

Report from the Desk of the City Manager:

- The University of Florida's Bureau of Economic and Business Research has recently released their Estimates of Population by County and Cities in Florida, and The City of Groveland continues to be the fastest growing community in Lake County. Our current population estimates indicate a population of 12,077 for the City of Groveland. That represents an increase of 3,348 people; this is an increase to the 8,729 Groveland population I started with when assuming the position of City Manager in 2014. It is clear that the city is staying true to its motto; "A City With A Future... Watch Us Grow".
- The Budget vs. Actual report for the period ending 1/30/16 for all city departments will be provided at the 2/16/16 City Council Meeting.

Follow up / Reminder items:

- As requested by City Council last September, now that city has completed all of the tasks related to the sink hole emergency of last August. The final expense report for the sink hole is a Grand Total of **\$16,409.84**; please see below for the itemized cost of the sink hole repairs:
 - Boykin Construction = \$3,500
 - Parts = \$1,779.60
 - Overtime = \$1,411.34 (This doesn't reflect the time of salaried staff assistance)
 - Concrete = \$643.00
 - Asphalt = \$198.90
 - Tetra Tech = \$2,077
 - Labor = \$2,400
 - Equipment = \$4,400

Events:

- ABTT Veterans Memorial Day Wall - May 25-30 with Memorial Day Celebration.

National Recreation & Park Association (NRPA) Fund Your Park Crowdfunding Platform

- ▶ What is crowdfunding?
 - ▶ Crowdfunding is the practice of funding a project or venture by raising many small amounts of money from a large number of people usually through the internet. *Fund Your Park* is a platform for parks and recreation provided by NRPA!
- ▶ How do we benefit?
 - ▶ **It's Free!** Use of *Fund Your Park* is free to members and each campaign project retains any funds that are raised through *Fund Your Park*, even if you don't reach your funding goal. NRPA retains a 5 percent administration fee on all donations in order to support the site and administration cost.
 - ▶ **Donations are tax deductible!** All donations are processed by NRPA, a non-profit 501 (c) 3 organization, as charitable contributions- and therefore tax deductible.
 - ▶ **Hands on Support!** NRPA will provide the crowdfunding platform, help with crafting messages, and training on how to run your campaign.



How Does it Work?

- ▶ Projects from NRPA membership will be chosen to be profiled on this platform for funding— whether its for building a new playground or installing trail signs. Raising funds for local projects using the Fund Your Park platform engages loyal supporters and helps create new ones by allowing donors to share their experience with friends in just one click. It doesn't get any better than that!
- ▶ **Process**
 - ▶ Fill out an application and submit it to NRPA
 - ▶ Projects will be selected to be hosted on this site
 - ▶ NRPA helps selected projects/programs launch their project on NRPA's Fund Your Park platform
 - ▶ Project campaigns will run for a total of 30 days
 - ▶ Two weeks after the close of the project, NRPA issues you a check for the funds you raised less the 5% administration fee



Fund Your Park Cycle

- ▶ Applications open: January 4 and June 6, 2016
- ▶ Applications due: February 2 and July 7, 2016
- ▶ Agencies selected announced: February 8 and July 14, 2016
- ▶ Launch campaigns: March 29 and August 23, 2016
- ▶ Campaigns end: April 28 and September 23, 2016

