

TVPOA Annual Meeting

Jan/Feb 2019



TVPOA Annual Meeting The Tahitian Village Annual Membership meeting is scheduled for February 9, 2019, at 1:00 p.m. It will be held in the meeting room at the Bastrop Fire Department Station 2 at 120 Corporate Drive. This meeting is an opportunity for all Tahitian Village property owners to get an overview of the POA, meet and speak with county and city officials and hear from the folks in our community.

You will be receiving your meeting notice in the mail in January. It will contain the agenda for the meeting with a list of speakers, letters from the POA and ACC Presidents, information on the candidates for both the POA & ACC and several notices. This meeting does not generally last more than two hours and is a great chance to learn more about your community. We ask that you please consider attending.

****Please note that all TVPOA/TVACC meetings will now be held at the Bastrop Fire Department Station 2 at 120 Corporate Drive until further notice.

Quote:

Be happy, you never know how much time you have left.

TAHITIAN VILLAGE PROPERTY OWNERS ASSOCIATION

the Pine Post

Happy New Year

Tahitian Village Calendar of Events

January 2019

Jan 1—Holiday

Jan 7—Tahitian Village Architectural Control Committee Meeting @ 5:30 PM

Jan 8—BCWCID #2 Road Meeting @ 5:45

Jan 14 & 21—Bastrop County Commissioners Court Meeting @ 9:00 AM @ Courthouse

Jan 8 & 22—Bastrop City Council Meeting @ 6:30 PM @ City Hall

Jan 17—BCWCID #2 Water Board Meeting @ 6:30

Jan 15—Tahitian Village Property Owners Association Meeting @ 7:00 PM

February 2019

Feb 4—Tahitian Village Architectural Control Committee Meeting @ 5:30 PM

Feb 9—TVPOA Annual Meeting @ 1:00 @ Fire station at 120 Corporate Dr.

Feb 11 & 25—Bastrop County Commissioners Court Meeting @ 9:00 AM @ Courthouse

Feb 12—BCWCID #2 Road Meeting @ 5:45

Feb 12 & 26—Bastrop City Council Meeting @ 6:30 PM @ City Hall

Feb 19—Tahitian Village Property Owners Association Meeting @ 7:00 PM

Feb 21—BCWCID #2 Water Board Meeting @ 6:30

*****NEW MEETING LOCATION UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE*****

ALL MEETINGS WILL BE HELD AT Bastrop Fire Dept 2 LOCATED AT 120 CORPORATE DRIVE, BASTROP, TEXAS



Keeping You Posted

- Next Clean Sweep will be on Saturday, January 19, 2019, from 8 a.m. to 2 p.m.
- Donations for the Animal Shelter and Animal Rescue are still being accepted at the POA office.
- If you call to report a violation, please leave your name and number in case further information is needed. This information is confidential and will not be shared. If you prefer violations can also be reported on the website, www.tahitianvillagepoa.com.
- TVPOA sends out the meeting agendas for Water District as a courtesy only. The Water District is required by law to post the agendas at the Court House and on the front of the Water District Building.

Tahitian Village Neighborhood News Network (TVNNN) - Notice to Tahitian Village Residents:

In an effort to provide you quick and easy access to information important to you as a resident of our beautiful Tahitian Village, we would like to add you to the new TVNNN e-mail list. You can do this by emailing our office staff at info@tahitianvillagepoa.com or filling out this form and turning it in or mailing it to the TVPOA office.

This list is also vital in distributing information about political and TVPOA, TVACC & BCWCID #2 Board candidates, missing/found pets and unfortunately, vandalism and burglaries. Please help us keep you informed by providing the following information (by doing so, you will automatically be added to the TVNNN e-mail list):

NAME: _____ PHONE: _____

ADDRESS: _____

E-MAIL ADDRESS: _____

Thanks for your support and interest in our beautiful neighborhood!

NOTE: Please do not resubmit your information if you have already turned this in from a previous issue

There be Dragons There by Larry Gfeller

It was a peerless autumn day, yet the November wind playing across the mountain had a razor in it. The leaves among the roadside trees vibrated like bangles. Kathleen was navigating. My wife and I were traveling through the Nantahala National Forest, taking the long way around Great Smoky Mountain National Park. Designated U.S. 129, it looked like any other major highway in Tennessee. Just before the North Carolina border, road signs suddenly turned menacing: No trailers over 30 ft. permitted, speed limit 30 mph, stay in your lane, no passing next 11 miles. Driving a Ford F-350 long bed truck and no visible escape, it was a pleasant sightseeing trip about to go wrong!

The next 40 minutes were something right out of the Twilight Zone. Like a mirage, the road before us changed into an undulating series of rapid fire twists, switchbacks and thick woods, all darkened by heavy overhead canopy. This drive was no longer about a joy ride in the mountains—it was now about two captives in a truck, fighting against a coiling, corkscrewing backwoods mountain road with white knuckles and elevated heart rate. With a rock wall on one side, a sheer drop on the other and no guard rails, Kathleen assumed the fetal position and pulled herself into a coma of silence. The road was busy and everyone was in a hurry. Struggling to handle the incessant curves, we were chased by tailgaters while also watching for oncoming vehicles barreling into view from the opposite side. Fortunately, rawboned turn-outs every 500 feet or so let speedsters pass, honking or waving their appreciation as they streaked by. We felt like lone antelopes on a lion-infested plain.

Rounding an uphill curve was a photographer-in-ambush camped in a pull-out—and he snatched our photograph. On the downhill side, it happened again. After an eternity, without warning, the curves stopped and we dropped to a Y in the road punctuated with two aberrant old buildings. That's all. Nothing more. Just two buildings. We had arrived at Deal's Gap Pass.

There was an eerie feeling about the place. It was a scene right out of the movie Deliverance—all that was missing was the dwarf albino banjo player. We quickly pulled over. Our emotions were spent, our reflexes exhausted—we could finally relax our sphincters!

Turns out, these rickety buildings catered to “course challengers” and we were eagerly invited to order our personalized photos from a website by a chirpy young sales clerk. Working herself up to a crescendo, she insisted on snapping our picture before a metal sculpture of a dragon to canonize our achievement. She made us feel like geriatric Olympic champions! Inside, the little shanty was wallpapered with yellow autographed photographs, old movie handbills, souvenirs, T-shirts and specialized biker gear. It seems we had just negotiated something called the Tail of the Dragon—famous, it seems, in circles known for motorcycles, nose rings and tattoos.

The Tail of the Dragon is found in Graham County N.C., runs for eleven miles and sports no less than 318 curves, some of them nearly 300 degree pivots, a few off-camber and several that are decreasing radius curves. No two turns are alike. There are no intersecting roads or driveways to detract from the adventure (or to provide escape). Some turns in the relatively flat course are banked like a race course, making the area a mecca from spring to fall for motorcyclists and sports car buffs from all over the world. The N.C. Department of Transportation estimates 240,000 motorcyclists attack Tail of the Dragon annually. Businesses in the economically distressed county eagerly cater to the tour groups and easy riders.

As you might imagine, there are a lot of accidents. There's even a monument to those who over-estimated their road skills. It's called the Tree of Shame and is decorated with all manner of motorcycle and car parts from those who crashed their machines while testing their skill. Latest three-year average statistics at the N.C. Division of Motor Vehicles ranks Graham County as the worst North Carolina County for crash rate severity, cost per crash, per person, per vehicle and per 100 miles traveled. Motorcycle and car crashes account for many of the annual average of 87 medical helicopter evacuations to the University of Tennessee-Knoxville Medical Center or Mission Hospital in Asheville, the two closest trauma centers. One of the nearest communities of any size is Robbinsville, N.C. Locals who use the road frequently refer to it as "The Robbinsville Turnpike," or "That damned road to Tennessee."

*To some the Dragon begins on the North Carolina side at Fugitive Bridge with a view of the Cheoah Dam where Harrison Ford jumped from in the movie *The Fugitive*. With the Great Smokys in the background, the picturesque area has proven to be a popular draw for film crews over the years, as documented by the Deals Gap tourist stop. Thunder Road and Two Lane Blacktop were filmed on the Dragon in 1958 and 1971 respectively and *In Dreams* was done in 1998. More recently, the Discovery Channel filmed a segment that appeared in their *Hell Roads* show (2011) and the History Channel filmed *Larry the Cable Guy on the Dragon* for his *Only in America* series (2012). The latest production most appropriately describes the road's contribution to bucket lists all over the world: *AOL's 1001 Things to Do Before You Die* (2013).*

The area is filled with its share of romanticism. In actual fact, the Deals Gap area appears to have begun life as a river path used by the Cherokee Indians. Settlers and soldiers used the route to get to Fort Loudon, a British outpost in Tennessee, during colonial times. In the 1880's, just three miles west of Deals Gap, a man who owned land on both sides of the road operated a toll booth to what was, at the time, known as the "Tallassee Turnpike." During the Civil War the passage was reportedly a hotbed for bushwhackers. With other roads in the region carrying names like Moonshine 28, Devil's Triangle and Diamondback 226, the area provides rich fodder for stories and myths about moonshiner runs during Prohibition. It became a gravel road for the first time around 1900, a paved state road in the late 1920's and finally a federal highway in the early 30's.

As for my wife and I, we had been warned. When learning of our plans to visit the North Carolina Smokys, experienced RV'ers in New Mexico advised us to beware. While booking reservations in N.C., the RV park owner cautioned us to avoid this road in our route selection. But time has a way of erasing memory. While we avoided it with the RV, we fell victim on an unplanned joy ride. It was purely accidental—we were ambushed. Truth is, thrill and fear are really the same thing. Although we were petrified at the time, the tics and uncertainties of passing time will certainly round off the edges of this story to somehow become one of courage and bravery. Nothing could be further from the truth! The secret to telling good stories is to know more than you tell.



EVERY CHILD DESERVES A CHANCE
... IS IT YOU?



CASA of Bastrop, Fayette & Lee Counties has served 135 abused and neglected children in Bastrop County, but there are still 31 children without a CASA Volunteer. Our goal is to provide every vulnerable child with a CASA to stay by their side during one of the most difficult times of their lives. Ready to speak up for a child? Learn more and get involved by calling [512.409.0771](tel:512.409.0771) today! CASA Volunteer Training starts October 2018.

BCWCID#2

The Bastrop County Water Control and Improvement District #2 (BCWCID), known as the Water District, is responsible for roads, water and sewer in Tahitian Village. They can be contacted at 512-321-1688.

TVPOA

The Tahitian Village Property Owners Association (TVPOA) is responsible for maintaining and enforcing the deed restrictions in the five units that comprise Tahitian Village subdivision. Most of the POA's annual income comes from transfer fees and resale certificate fees.

TVACC

The Tahitian Village Architectural Control Committee (TVACC) is responsible for accepting, reviewing, approving or denying permit applications for new structures. Although it has its own board of directors and separate finances, TVACC operates under the general umbrella of the TVPOA. Most of the ACC's income comes from permit fees and fines against builders.

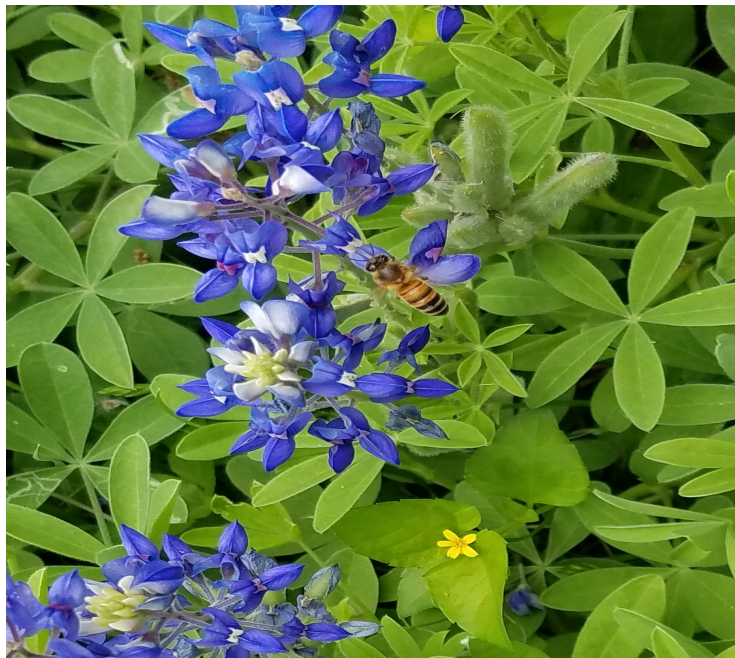
JOIN THE WATER DISTRICT FACEBOOK PAGE TO RECEIVE TIMELY INFORMATION

The Water District has started a Facebook page intended to be an outbound notification system. The page will be used to inform residents of information in a timely nature or to announce upcoming activities.

Please join the page if you would like to receive notifications such as water main breaks, road closures, upcoming meetings or other items of interest.

The page is not a means to contact the District.

www.facebook.com/BCWCID2



Posting of information

TVPOA/TVACC shares information passed on from other entities so that residents can remain informed in regards to ongoing matters in Tahitian Village. For more information on those matters, please contact them directly. Phone numbers for some are listed below.

Attention BCWCID #2 Customers

Another option for paying your water bill. Use the new automated system to pay your water bill.

Save time — pay by phone!

Bastrop County WCID #2 gives you access to your account 24 hours a day, 365 days a year. It's a convenient way to pay your bills on your own time — with no waiting!

- Save postage by paying your bill by phone.
- Access your updated account instantly.
- Hear real-time balances, payment amounts, and due dates.
- Enter your information securely through an automated system.

Call **855-213-4937** today to make your payment over the phone!



Register for E-Billing and Notification Program!

We are very excited about some changes we made regarding billing and online bill pay. With E-Billing you receive your bills sooner. You can now pay your bills online with no additional charges. Go to our website at bcwcid2.org and sign up or complete form and return.

Receive a text message or an automated phone call regarding water outages, road closures or other emergencies within the District when you register for the Notification Program.

To Opt-In to the Notification Program, please complete the form and return by mail, place it in our drop box or email this form to Patricia@bcwcid2.org.

Message and data rates may apply.

Yes, I would like to register for E-Billing.

Yes, I would like to receive notifications at my home phone number.

Yes, I would like to receive notifications via text message on my cell phone.

NAME: _____

(Please print)

EMAIL ADDRESS: _____

(Please print)

ACCOUNT #: _____

ADDRESS _____

PHONE #: _____

CELL PHONE # _____

General Information

Tahitian Village Property Owners Assn/Tahitian Village Architectural Control

Committee 106 Conference Drive Suite B, P O Box 636, Bastrop, Texas 78602

Phone 512.321.1145 email: info@tahitianvillagepoa.com Website:

www.tahitianvillagepoa.com

ACC meets the first Monday of the month at 5:30 p.m. Open to the public

POA meets the third Tuesday of the month at 7:00 p.m. Open to the public

Bastrop County Water Control & Improvement District #2 (BCWCID #2)

106 Conference Drive, P O Box 708, Bastrop, Texas 78602

Phone 512.321.1688 Fax 512.321.1692 website: www.bcwcid2.org

Meetings held the third Thursday of the month at 6:30 p.m. – Open to the public

Pines & Prairies Land Trust

1018 Main Street, Suite B, Bastrop, Texas 78602

Phone 512-308-1911 website: www.pinesandprairieslandtrust.org Email:

info@pplt.org

Pine Forest Golf Club

636 Riverside Drive, Bastrop, Texas 78602

Phone 512.321.1181 website: www.pineforestgolfclub.com

Bastrop County Animal Shelter

589 Cool Water Drive, Bastrop, Texas 78602

Phone 512.549.5160 website: www.co.bastrop.tx.us/site/content/animalcontrol

Bastrop County Sheriff's Department - 512.549.5100

Bastrop County Precinct 1 - 512-332-7295

	<u>TVPOA Violation Information</u>	<u>October and November 2018</u>		
Unit:	Violation:	Action:	Date of Action:	Status:
1	mow	first letter sent	10.9.2018	Resolved
1	unpermitted signage	first letter sent	10.9.2018	Unresolved
1	unpermitted fence	first letter sent	10.9.2018	Unresolved
1	barking dog	first letter sent	11.9.2018	Resolved
1	mow	first letter sent	11.18.2018	Resolved
1	unpermitted fence	first letter sent	11.18.2018	Resolved
2	household items visible from street	first letter sent	11.15.2018	Resolved
2	abandoned vehicle	first letter sent	10.9.2018	Unresolved
2	mow	first letter sent	10.9.2018	Resolved
3	branches and limbs in yard	first letter sent	10.9.2018	Resolved
3	household items visible from street	first letter sent	10.9.2018	Resolved
3	household items visible from street	first letter sent	10.18.2018	Resolved
3	unpermitted fence	first letter sent	10.18.2018	Resolved
3	household items visible from street	first letter sent	10.18.2018	Unresolved
3	RV in use	first letter sent	10.18.2018	Resolved
3	chicken coop	first letter sent	11.15.2018	Unresolved
3	household items visible from street	first letter sent	11.15.2018	Resolved
4	mow and move sign	first letter sent	10.18.2018	Resolved
4	household items visible from street	first letter sent	11.8.2018	Resolved
5	building material visible from street	first letter sent	10.9.2018	Resolved
5	unpermitted fence	first letter sent	10.18.2018	Resolved
5	construction material in yard	first letter sent	10.18.2018	Resolved
5	abandoned vehicle	first letter sent	10.18.2018	Resolved
5	household items visible from street	first letter sent	10.18.2018	Resolved
5	mow	first letter sent	10.18.2018	Resolved
5	unpermitted retaining wall	first letter sent	11.8.2018	Resolved
5	RV in use	first letter sent	11.19.2018	Resolved
5	fence panels on empty lot	first letter sent	11.19.2018	Unresolved
5	household items visible from street	first letter sent	11.19.2018	Resolved