# **VW CONNECTED**

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### Yard Decorating Contest

The Holiday Yard Decorating contest is approaching. There will be a Kid's Choice, an Adult Favorite, and Best Block winners. Judging will be on Sunday Dec 20 starting at 6pm. Check out the holiday gallery on VWConnected.com to see all of our the decorated homes in Village West!

### **Food Drive**

Alicia Wickman is urging families to participate in a community project on behalf of West Houston Assistance Ministries (WHAM) for our neighbors in need. A flyer was distributed with suggested donation items for each day Nov 27 - Dec 20. WHAM will pick up donations early on December 21st for distribution. There will be volunteers at the clubhouse beginning Thanksgiving weekend and each weekend day through Dec. 20 when you can drop off items. The specific staffed hours will be posted on VWConnected.com

### **Featured Eatery**

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This month we are excited to feature Feng Ling Restaurant located at 11010 Westheimer Rd, #A. (near Wilcrest)

Dine in or call (713.782.3144). Delivery available. Experience the best Szechuan & Hunan cuisine in West Houston.

For the month of December Feng Ling is offering VW Residents a free egg roll with every \$10 purchase. Just mention Village West and this offer.

Please support our local businesses.



### **Meet Your Neighbors**



This month, we are introduced to **Adam** and **Christine Shaw**, who moved to Village West from Alaska 4 years ago. Adam works for Shell. Prior to that, he was active duty in the Coast Guard. As a military family, they moved 12 times, and had the wonderful opportunity to live all over the US.

Shortly after arriving in Texas, they decided to embrace the Texas life and purchased a fixer

upper ranch with some iconic Texas Longhorns. With all the Texas wild flowers in bloom, they thought the fields of the ranch would be perfect for raising beehives. The adventure has grown from a hobby to a small family business. Their kids jump in to help when they come to visit (two live in Seattle, one lives in Alaska). Christine's mom and brother come out from Austin to help out with the hopes of getting some honey for their efforts. The Shaws are passionate about their bees and plants, and sustainable beekeeping.

They sell their delicious honey directly to consumers. There are 16oz jars of honey available for \$15. For the holidays, they have a limited supply of small jars of honeycomb for \$5, perfect for gift giving.

Contact them at **sandyforkpastures@gmail.com** to order. They will deliver in Village West, or you are welcome to stop by and say hi or ask questions about their favorite hobby.

### **VW Financial Snapshot**

	Statement		
For the Month Ending: 10/31/2020			
	10/31/20	Year To Date	
Income			
Assessment Income	\$25,027	\$250,270	
Capital Reserve	(\$6,167)	(\$61,670)	
Other Income	\$2,601	\$38,787	
Total Income	\$21,461	\$227,387	
Expenses			
Total Utilities	\$1,415	\$13,537	
Total Contract Services **	\$9,298	\$132,224	
Total Pool	\$343	\$2,772	
Total Grounds	\$o	\$5,232	
Total Deed Restriction	\$104	\$1,598	
Total Professional	\$20	\$8,969	
Total Administrative	\$199	\$10,383	
Totl Insurance & Taxes	\$1,579	\$15,376	
Total Expenses	\$12,957	\$190,092	
Net Excess/(Deficit)	\$8,504	\$37,295	
Reserve Expense	\$3,166	\$3,166	
** Pest Control, Security, Pool Mgmt, Misc	Grounds, Mgmt Contract,	Website and Trash	

Balance Sheet		
10/31/20		
Assets		
Cash - Operating Account	\$61,872	
Money Market Acct	\$129,797	
Capital Reserve	\$108,004	
New First ICS	\$31,514	
Captial Reserve CD	\$30,000	
Accounts Receivable	\$40,055	
Allowance for Doubtful Accounts	(\$10,000)	
Prepaids	\$4,549	
Total Assets	\$395,791	
Liabilities		
Liabilities Prepaid	\$698	
	\$698 \$50,056	
Prepaid		
Prepaid Current Year Deferred	\$50,056	
Prepaid Current Year Deferred Total Liabilities	\$50,056 \$50,754	
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### November 16, 2020 Board Meeting Highlights

*Visit vwconnected.com for detailed notes.* HOA meeting on November 16, 2020 opened at 7pm.

Sargent Hunter from the Constables office introduced as a special guest to discuss crime in our area. Hours patrolled for Citizens on Patrol were down last month. A homeowner indicated that she had called the constable's office concerning a crime in the area and requested a call back, and did not get a call. Sargent Hunter indicated that she should have called back and complained or ask for a supervisor.

Board members present: David, Candy, Mark and Anthony. Minutes of the last meeting passed unanimously.

Management Report: Property on Olympia is being foreclosed on by possibly the mortgage company and the city for back taxes. The Board is maintaining the property. All foreclosure actions have been suspended until January.

Summarization of items approved via unanimous consent since last meeting: Trees trimmed around the clubhouse; A breaker was replaced; Holiday Lights contest with judging by The Garden Committee approved. Discussion about electrical work and repair of a computer fan.

John Respess from the Pool Building Committee gave a report. John indicated that John Miller had presented a plan design for the pool equipment building and that they were waiting on the Board of Directors to approve it before they took it out to bid. After the bids, they will present the final choice.

Voting for the Treasurer was tabled.

Motion to remove the lifeguard stands and purchase portable lifeguard stand passed unanimously. Many families have indicated that they want the slide and the slide can only be used if there are lifeguards on duty.

Wind screen for the tennis courts was tabled for further discussion.

Budget approval is being delayed for further discussion.

New Business: David indicated that we are having a backwash problem probably due to roots in the line. We were quoted \$550 to clean out the drain. Motion to approve passed unanimously.

Open Forum (please go online for more details):

Homeowner 1: Discuss WHAM food drive operations and need for volunteers to staff clubhouse on the weekends.

Homeowner 2: Discuss formation of committee to evaluate management companies, and the selection of committee members, which Board says will occur after the holidays. In the meantime, anyone interested in serving on the committee should ask to be on the list for consideration.

Homeowner 3: Interested in being on the management committee.

Homeowner 1 says budget should be approved before the new year.

It was decided that there would be a meeting in December (on 21st), but it will be abbreviated.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:05 PM.