Hideaway Bay Beach Club

Weekly Caretaker Report

Week of February 26th, 2023

The month of February has wrapped up at Hideaway Bay and Hurricane Ian restoration continues. ADU continues to work on detailed mold remediation. Roofing continues and the grill gazebo structure as well as the small gazebo by A building and the pump house structure are completed and look great. I am told the Clubhouse building should be next, but they have not started it yet. FEMA debris removal continues on the island and things are starting to look cleaned up along the main road, but they still have not done large scale pickup at Hideaway Bay. They did pick up the debris behind G Building though which is a welcome sight.

I was able to finish the mainland gazebo project by finishing the screening and installing new lattice panels where damaged. I have been working daily picking up debris on the property and getting more detailed around the buildings that have the roofs completed. A detailed clean-up was done where FEMA picked up the trash behind G building. Also, a detailed cleanup was done where the old shed was removed by the burn pit as well as the Charlotte County shed on the drain field. Work was done on the tree stump holes to cut out the remaining roots and grade the holes flat so the grass can be cut. Some time was also spent cutting dead palm fronds from the trees which I plan on continuing next week. I also have plans to cut some grass around the property and do some weed whacking to keep everything with the landscaping under control this upcoming week. I also have a project to construct two outboard motor stands for the ferry engines which will be needed when it goes in for repairs.

Pye Barker Fire and Safety was on the Island with two of their regional managers to assess our fire control system. I gave them a tour of the property and systems and they will be providing pricing. I think they would be an excellent fit and hope to get the chance to work with them. NES was on the island to do more work on the septic system, and they report success on their sewer plant cleanout efforts.

The Captains continue to be busy with their usual duties keeping the skiff running on time, cleaning, and sanitizing the rest rooms, keeping the docks cleaned as well as keeping the cart paths and barge landing in good order. They spent some time sorting piles of trash this past week as well and the usual debris cleanup. They also started installing the new hydraulic steering on the skiff but unfortunately had a defective part and had to stop installation and they are now waiting for a replacement to arrive. Myself and all the Captains attended CPR training on Tuesday. The Captains plan on getting the hydraulic steering install done this upcoming week as well as getting everything ready to bring the ferry to Gasparilla Marina to be hauled and of course more cleanup and general maintenance.

I would like to thank everyone for their patience in this long rebuild process. I am confident Hideaway Bay Beach Club is going to be better than ever when completed!

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