

Merrymount Property Owners Survey Results

A total of 47 property owners completed the survey and 23 property owners provided additional comments.

1. Do you agree with spending funds to grade, level, and seed the pavilion lot?

For safety reasons, the lot needs to be graded, leveled, and seeded at the minimum. The approximate cost is \$3,100.

36 voted Yes - 77%	10 voted No - 21%	1 did not vote - 2%	
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2. Do you want permanent electricity installed at the pavilion?

Approximate cost is \$2,000 + minimum monthly bill of \$17 + tax.

28 voted Yes - 60%	19 voted No - 40%		
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3. Do you want a toilet (Port-a-pot) or restroom at the pavilion?

The Port-a-pot contract use for season (example May to October) is \$75 per month rental fee which includes once a week service = \$450 per year for 6 months.

The restroom is an 8' x 8' separate building with a matching rood and siding color to match stain on existing pavilion structure. This would include finishing inside walls, fixtures, septic system, waterline and engineering expenditures. Also, includes installation of electricity to restroom and pavilion. Total cost is estimated at \$14,000 + \$40 per month for ongoing monthly bills for water and electric.

Comments -

Have a port-a-pot for this season. Other owners may had indicated some thoughts and all owner responses should be considered before the restroom is built. Instead of just building a restroom, verify if the septic can handle a building that has a mini kitchen, restroom, meeting / game area, heated lap pool and a shower. This type of facility would make the pavilion area a great place for our social events.

To date the shelter has not been adequately maintained by the board ignoring maintenance to tighten bolts etc therefore further consideration as to future maintenance and daily upkeep should be considered before additional additions be considered , . we cannot simply make changes to the common property without someone being assigned to maintain it which would include bathrooms. lets try porta johns for a year to see how much use the shelter gets .

Restroom would require some degree of regular maintenance and cost...port-a-pot much simpler (or just run home!)

We all have bathrooms at our house - no need for a nice bathroom at the pavilion - just a port-a-potty is enough and can be done immediately.

20 voted Yes for the restroom - 43%	18 voted No - 38%	8 voted for the Port-a-pot - 17%	1 did not vote - 2%
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4. Do you support improvements at the pavilion lot?

Pro Comments-

We feel the pavilion property should be enhanced with all the above items that we marked. These improvements will enhance property values and Merrymount residents will be able to more fully utilize the pavilion.

I am interested in these renovations being done as soon as possible. I see no need to wait 3-5 years to complete these tasks.

We believe common amenities such as those proposed above add to the quality of life and a sense of community in Merrymount and in so doing enhance our property values.

Let's make this fine gathering place even better.

Some of Pavilion lot should be used for additional parking. Gravel not concrete or asphalt.		
Interior and exterior lighting.		
I am in favor of improvements, if as stated at the top of this survey, do not increase HOA dues as to my knowledge they are now the highest of any HOAs around the lake.		
This only benefits all owners and sellers, this is why we pay dues. Why would we want to keep using generators, this is 2016! We have the money what are we saving it for? Portable toilet. do not use them any where!		
Indoor Heated Swimming Pool		
<u>Con Comments-</u>		
A waste of money.		
Only to grade, level, and seed.		
It is not used enough to support the money needed.		
I don't see much value in the Pavilion, Almost all of the Merrymount residents have docks, boats, etc. and most have big lots for large games of Frisbee or other sports games. In my opinion, HOA funds can be better used for Roads, lighting, security, landscaping, etc..		
Nothing to the pavilion until the mowing and snow shoveling issues are resolved. Priorities for spending are out of line. These things are niceties not necessities. Mowing and snow plowing are necessities.		
Until there are their other higher-priority improvements made to Merrymount, this pavilion area should be further on down the list AFTER : 1. mowing ALL the roadsides on a schedule that maintains the neater look Merrymount had when we bought there. The mowers are STILL not going all the way down to the cul de sac by us at each mowing, and this seems to be an ongoing pattern....neglecting some areas; 2. Some money needs to be budgeted MINIMALLY for a plow attachment to a pickup truck to make ingress and egress from Merrymount possible no matter the weather.		
I agree with leveling the property. I do not see enough usage of the Pavillion to warrant upgrades that would require more responsibility on the part of the MPOA. We all have bathroom facilities in our nearby homes. The MPOA has great difficulty filling the bare minimum of tasks required (eg. Secretary etc.) without adding more responsibility. For example who would have been responsible for assuring the the pipes in a permanent toilet facility did not burst during this cold spell. Issues such as this need to be resolved in the event that the group votes yes.		
28 voted Yes - 60%	18 voted No - 38%	1 did not vote - 2%

5. To identify vehicles in our neighborhood, a suggestion was made to affix a static type of sticker to our vehicle's interior rear window. Would you display such decal?			
28 voted Yes - 60%	19 voted No - 40%		

6. Additional information property owners requested from the survey -
What is the current maintenance plan for the existing structures?
What would be the maintenance plan for a restroom if it were to be completed?
Make the bathroom larger and does this meet the ADA requirements?
Will there be a user fee for homeowner parties held at the pavilion to cover water, electricity, maintenance, etc?
While there currently is "enough money in the Common Area Maintenance Funds to cover these items", will homeowner dues have to be increased in the future to replenish these funds or to cover the ongoing maintenance or monthly bills?
Would like more info on sticker design and placement location.