

hi, folks.....

i've lived here for 4 1/2 years and haven't gotten involved in the politics/infighting, but feel it's time to speak up to save TE from lawsuits if slips are rented to outsiders....if you're not aware, take a walk on the marina docks....you'll notice that the planks are rotten and badly splintering...the 30' slips have new trex decking that is excellent and the individual boat fingers off the seawall by hix marine appear to be newer wood planking in acceptable condition....all the other docks are in bad shape...also, the aluminum cones on top of all the pilings are a lawsuit waiting to happen...they are extremely sharp and am sure wouldn't be osha approved....when using hoses mounted to pilings and line handling around pilings, you have to be very careful not to get impaled or gouged by the cone tops....also, the bottom edges are irregular, protrude and very sharp....even with caution, i've gotten (minor) scratches a couple of times and consider myself lucky....

also, within the last year, i became fully aware of just why all the slip renters and storage yard renters got so upset over tripling of rates.....compared to the outside world, our slip fees are a bargain, but that's not the point.....all other TE recreational areas are covered totally by the annual park assessment....boaters and boat trailer owners have to pay any extra \$650/yr for slips and storage(20' slip and trailer storage for that boat trailer), while use of pool, shuffleboard courts, bocce ball courts, horse shoe pits, gym, pool room, etc. are covered under the \$750/yr assessment.....i just pulled my trailer out of storage and made other arrangements for it's storage (no cost)....will vacate my slip when my friend sells his boat tied up to my seawall....

bottom line: i have absolutely no problem paying a small slip and storage fee if those fees are used specifically for the marina and storage yard...what i do have a problem with, is the fact that the majority of those fees end up in the general fund for *all* property owners benefit and very little is sent back to the

4/25/2009

<http://trailerestatesflorida.com/htm/...>

marina/storage for maintenance/upgrades.....called JVM last week to find out when the rotten, badly splintered planking will be replaced....he informed me that the park allots \$ 10K/yr for the marina for dredging, repairs, etc.only \$ 5K is allotted this year, so repairs/replacement probably won't happen in the foreseeable future (not his exact words, but an accurate recall of meaning), since dredging will be required sometime soon....(he was vague on that point)....the marina and storage yard are for TE residents, NOT the general public!....any rental fees should be commensurate with the costs to maintain them adequately for park residents....(then there are renters, but that's another can of worms...lol....am sure something workable could be arranged for them during the season depending on availability)

WHY is it that this park has wonderful, really well maintained recreational facilities for many sports/pastimes without any extra chages, while slip renters have to put up with substandard docks, dangerous piling cones, etc. at an extra cost of over \$ 320/yr. for a 20' slip???? (again, i have no problem paying slip fees, as long as ALL of those funds are used to maintain a well constructed, safe marina...the same goes for the storage yard....)

regards,

scotty

6913 w. bayou lane

[Big savings on Dell XPS Laptops and Desktops!](#)