

CONTINUATION OF SPECIAL BOARD MEETING

6-7-2017

I want to share some thoughts about our community and direction and attitude I feel we need to address.

In our small, condensed community we have people from many backgrounds and walks of life. That is a very good thing. It also adds friction if not handled with care. Each part of our body of people has a valuable part to play.

I would like to encourage each of us to think before we speak. We don't need to voice every damaging word or complaint that comes to mind.....put a governor on our mouths and wait before we speak. We don't have to say everything we are thinking. HURT people hurt people.

We need to be the change we want to see in our community. It starts with each one of us.

If we feel we are not being heard, get involved, run for the board, volunteer to be on committees and be a positive influence.

If we have a problem with someone, go to that person first and discuss the issue before you take it to the next level. Be respectful. Sometimes the 'doers' who take charge can in their enthusiasm to 'get it done' and without realizing it, steamroll over people. Be introspective...Is that me? What's my part? What can I do better?

BE THE TEAM. Together we can all achieve more.

One wonderful aspect of having a cooperative is that each individual share has a financial investment in the cooperative. The benefit is that all members have a voice. Seek first to understand, do the right thing. Trust begins with honesty.

Let's consider taking the pulse of our community and do a general anonymous survey. Let's seek first to understand.