

Fwd: School Bus and Other Issues

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Good morning Caroline,
Thank you for your time on the phone this morning. As we discussed, here are the answers to your questions:

1. School Bus Drop Issues -

- a). About 4 weeks ago when I was onsite, I watched as a school bus pulled into the club house parking lot and dropped off kids...even as bulldozers and dump trucks were moving in and out of there. Kids were running around, even playing and climbing on dirt piles with bulldozers working. This heavy equipment cannot see kids running around and it was totally unsafe!
- b). I stopped the bus driver that day and asked who I can call about having the kids dropped in another location that would be safer for them. He referred me to Lisa at St. James school district. I had a nice conversation with her and she agreed and said they would have the bus drop off and turn around on a side street...like Fairway Lakes or St. Andrews.
- c). At no point did anyone tell me they would drop kids off at Freewood and Sunnehanna. Sunnehanna, like all roads in Island Green is private. The school district has my permission to drive on Sunnehanna...however...they need written permission from any HOA to allow the school bus to stop on Sunnehanna, drop kids...and then simply pull in and then back out to Sunnehanna from any of the roads that intersect with Sunnehanna (for example; St. Andrews, Troon, Fairwood Lakes etc). The bus can turn around on any of those roads, but they need permission from the respective HOA since the road is private. Actually the best solution would be having the school bus drop off on Troon, then looping around and coming back out Muirfield.
- d). On another visit, I saw kids riding bikes up and down these big piles of dirt. There should be no children playing anywhere around this construction. Please remind parents to keep their children away from all construction sites for their safety.

2. **Lights on poles on each side of Sunnehanna and Freewoods** - Horry Electric turned these off, not me. Horry Electric is making some changes in there system and need a new meeting put on the poles. I am working with Horry Electric to understand exactly what is required, but they are the ones that turned off the lights. In the meantime, I am still paying for all the lights and water at the entrance monumentation...which should be shared by all HOAs in the community.

3. **Update on Sunnehanna Drive** - the road is going to be rebuilt in the summer of 2022. Engineering and design work, including stormwater planning is underway. This rebuilding will happen as it is a requirement by Horry County. We do expect all HOAs to participate in the maintenance of the new road once it is completed.

4. **Flag Pole at entrance** - we are collecting additional bids to submit to the insurance company from the drive that knocked down the pole. This should be resolved in the next month.

That is it for now. Please let me know if there are any other questions.

Thank you very much,

UPDATE: May 20, 2021

Horry County Schools Transportation Department reached out to the Island Green General Council via the website in an attempt to create a solution to the school bus problem. Our thanks to Island Green South who will let the school bus access their roads for additional bus stops and for access to allow the school bus to safely loop around through the Island Green South community.