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Public Service Commission  
Attn: Water/ Sewer Dept  
Fax 573-751-1847

Office of the Public Counsel  
Attn: M. Ruth O'Neill  
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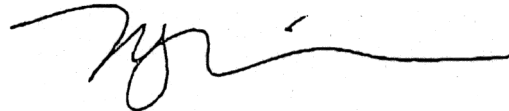
RE: Commission Case # SR-2005-0116

Recently I received the notice of Mill Creek Sewers' request for a permanent increase in sewer charges. While I appreciate the Commission Staff's efforts to reduce the ridiculously high request, even the reduced request is still exorbitant.

I can understand some increase resulting from the additional outlay of funds Afshari was required to incur – it's one thing to recoup the expenditure, it's another thing entirely to place outrageous fees on services for which we homeowners have little other option as to whether we use it or not. I would hope that your organizations would help to protect our interests by limiting the increase and keeping the monthly cost to a reasonable amount (e.g. no more than \$10 per month).

I appreciate your assistance on this matter!

Sincerely,



Meg Williams  
139 Kings Drive  
Florissant, MO 63034  
314/838-4554

November 8, 2004

Mr. Dale Johansen  
Missouri Public Service Commission  
P.O. Box 360  
Jefferson City, Missouri 65102

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Dear Mr. Johansen:

We are in receipt of your memo dated November 1, 2004 regarding a rate increase for Mill Creek Sewers, Commission Case No. SR-2005-0116.

I have attached a previous letter we wrote regarding this business in 2002. In addition to what is outlined in the past letter I have added below the many concerns that Mr. Afshari poses as a small business owner. I would also like to re-iterate that we understand that a rate hike may be necessary, however the amount that is being asked does not appear to be a fair and just assessment.

As you know there are many areas in which the Mill Creek Sewer System was not built according to codes and regulations. Private homeowner's properties were destroyed during the construction phase unnecessarily. Joe Afshari never paid for any of the damages and homeowners were left to pay for thousands of dollars of repairs such as grading, sodding, removal of trees that were killed, and landscaping that was destroyed. Following its completion the following areas continue to be problematic:

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When there appears to be a problem with the plant, i.e. a motor not running, Joe Afshari's office is called and messages are left regarding the problem. Mr. Afshari does not return phone calls and it is usually weeks before someone comes to fix the problem. Lately, a neighbor has borne the cost of fixing the motors and billed Mr. Afshari, due to a lack of response from him to fix the plant.

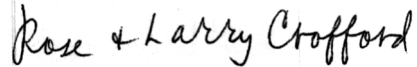
In closing, if Mr. Afshari is granted his proposed rate increase, we will be paying a lot more money for a sewage plant that does not run properly or consistently and that is improperly maintained. We ask that the amount be adjusted to be fair and consistent

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with other sewer utility companies in the St. Louis area, and that an outside agent monitor Mr. Afshari's care for the plant.

Thank you for your time and consideration

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Rose & Larry Crofford".

Rose and Larry Crofford  
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Florissant, MO 63034  
(314)921-6698 Home  
(314)830-6227 Rose @ work

cc: Office of the Public Counsel  
Attn: Ruth O'Neill  
P.O. Box 2230  
Jefferson City, MO 65102

May 15, 2002

Missouri Public Service Commission  
Water and Sewer Department  
P.O. Box 360  
Jefferson City, MO 65102

To Whom It May Concern:

We are in receipt of the letter dated April 23, 2002, from Mr. Joseph Afshari, requesting a rate hike for the operation of his sewer company, Mill Creek Sewers, Inc. This letter is being written to express our many concerns about such an extravagant rate hike due to the type of businessman that Mr. Afshari has proven himself to be to us in the 5 years we have lived in the Castlereagh Estates Subdivision. While we understand that rate hikes may be necessary, we feel the amount he is requesting is exorbitant and not in line with what is charged by Metropolitan Sewer District.

We live at 142 Kings Drive, and have the unfortunate lot that has been the access to the sewage treatment plant that Mr. Afshari operates. Beginning in June 2001, Mr. Afshari began construction of the mechanical sewage treatment plant that replaced the lagoon system that he neglected. A chronology of events regarding the lagoon has been sent to you in a separate letter from the trustees of the subdivisions, of which I am one. Beginning in June 2001, Mr. Afshari and his crew destroyed our yard, our trees, the woods behind our house and trenched private, non-easement property (ours), without permission. During his construction, we went without electricity and phone service at various times, due to him trenching private property without permission and without checking where buried cables were beneath the ground. Not once did Mr. Afshari apologize for being in our yard, over the easement and mistakenly taking down one of our 70-foot oak trees, that of course cannot be replaced. Nor has he offered to make good of any of his destruction since the construction phase has been over. We have had to make all repairs out of our pocket.

On two separate occasions, Mr. Afshari trenched a 320' and a 122' trench on our property, private property, where there was no easement. He was denied by both the St. Louis County Water Company, and Ameren Union Electric, to hook up to their lines due to him not having easement rights. He buried a water line on our property, complete with manhole and all, and was not allowed to hook up to the county water main. He never removed the pipe, and the manhole and pipes above ground were still in our front yard until recently when we removed them ourselves. ***On one occasion he even falsified a document sent to him by Ameren Union Electric making it look as if we had given permission for him to use our property for his electric line.*** I have a copy of this document if you would like to see it.

During this construction phase, we along with our next door neighbors, Phil and Karen Pagano, tried to have meetings with Mr. Afshari to make this whole project more manageable for all of us involved. During these meetings, Mr. Afshari cursed us, the subdivision, talked down to us, and in general was rude and demeaning. He made no attempts to try and work with us to make this a less destructive endeavor than what it turned out to be.

The plant that has been installed has not been maintained since it was installed last fall. It is extremely loud, and has destroyed the natural setting and sounds for which we moved to our home in the first place. We have asked if he can quiet the plant, and he has not done anything, and has told us to live with it.

On two occasions, the electricity has went off and thus the treatment plant has shut down. This occurred in December 2001 for approximately 10 days and again last week, May 5-7, 2002. On both occasions we called Mr. Afshari's office to inform them that the plant was off, and no one responded for 10 days the first time in December, and for 2 days the second time. We had to make several other calls and inform other people in order for someone to come and restart the plant.

We are aware that he currently owes money to the manufacturer who will not complete his tasks on the plant until he is paid. During the construction phase of the plant, bulldozers, trucks etc. used my neighbor's driveway and our yard as access, and as a result my neighbors driveway has been torn up. My neighbor has tried to deal with Mr. Afshari to repair it and has been told by him that he nor his company have any insurance to repair it so he will not do anything. What kind of reputable company doesn't have insurance??

One last note that indicates how he operates a business is his billing system for our monthly bills. He frequently overbills and says that payment has not been received, when in fact, we have already received the canceled check back from the bank. He also says bills are behind, when in fact no bill had been sent. We have consistently paid all of our bills, on time, regardless of all of the above events. His bookkeeping practices and his ethics are very much at question.

Thank you for the opportunity to express our concerns regarding Mill Creek Sewers. We hope that this information will be taken into consideration in your research and investigation into Mr. Afshari's business practices regarding his request for a rate hike. If you would like any information to back up any of the statements in this letter, please feel free to call me and I will gladly get any information that you may need.

Sincerely,

Rose and Larry Crofford  
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Jefferson City, MO 65102

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To Public Service Commission  
Office of Public Counsel

This letter is in response to the PSC case SR-2005-0116. The residents of Castlereagh and Afshari Plat II subdivisions are very concerned about the proposed rate increase by Mill Creek Sewer for the following reasons:

Joseph Afshari and Mill Creek Sewer have a long history of collecting fees while failing to perform the appropriate installation or proper maintenance on the system (see attached update).

Over the years, various residents have maintained the sewer (and the lagoon prior to that), but all have quit over disagreements with Joseph Afshari principally because he would not pay for their services and chemicals, etc. Residents have had to pay for repairs involving the main sewer lines when flooding occurred in their homes and Afshari refused to make the necessary repairs. His lack of an answering machine to respond to calls when emergency repairs are needed is one example of his lack of appropriate interest in the operation.

Joseph Afshari and Mill Creek Sewer have failed to comply with government requirements of the Clean Water Commission and court orders for years. In numerous court hearings since 1992, the Attorney General of Missouri has been battling Mr. Afshari over his refusal to comply with government regulations. Final disposition of this case is still pending.


Mill Creek Sewer has for years shown by its haphazard billing procedures that it is fiscally irresponsible.

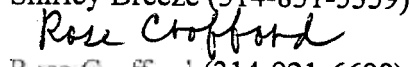
Users of the system are often billed for money already submitted, charged late fees on something already paid, or not billed for over a year. This represents an example of the fiscally irresponsible operation of Mill Creek Sewers. Any possible increase should, at the least, result in a more professional operation.

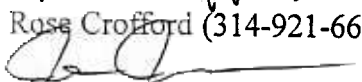
There is pending litigation against Joseph Afshari and Mill Creek.


Residents have continued to strongly support any action that would put control of the sewer system under an authority other than Joseph Afshari. They feel that granting a rate increase to Afshari prior to resolution of the pending court action is a mistake, and would only encourage him to continue his poor business practices, and his numerous delaying techniques in court.

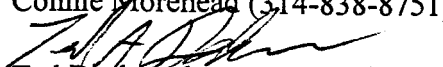
We sincerely hope a public hearing **will be held** on this rate increase. Further information may be obtained from the chairman of the Mill Creek Users Committee, Bob Palmer (314-837-9260), or any of the trustees listed below.

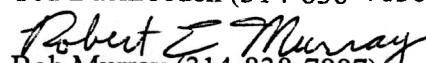
  
Shirley Breeze (314-831-5359)

  
Rose Crofford (314-921-6698)

  
Jim Jensen (314-838-3116)

  
Connie Morehead (314-838-8751)

  
Ted Dachroeden (314-838-7130)

  
Bob Murray (314-838-7887)

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## **SEWER UPDATE**

The following issues should be brought to your attention.

As you know, there are many areas in which the Mill Creek Sewer System (treatment plant) was not built according to codes and regulations. Private homeowners' properties were destroyed during the construction phase unnecessarily. Joe Afshari never paid for any of the damages and homeowners were left to pay for thousands of dollars of repairs such as grading, sodding, removal of trees that were killed, and landscaping that was destroyed. Following its completion, the following areas continue to be problematic:

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November 08, 2004

Office of the Public Counsel  
P O Box 2230  
Jefferson City, Mo 65102

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Attn: M. Ruth O'Neill

Subject: Commisison Case No. SR-2005-0116 ( CASTLEREAGH ESTATES )

Reference: ( A Mill Creek Sewers. Inc.( Mill Creek ) "Dear Customer" letter dated November 1, 2004

Based upon the Staff of the Public Service Commission ( Commisison Staff ) audit and investigation of Mill Creek Sewer's, Inc. books, records, and annual sewer operating revenues the above Ref: ( A ) resulted. This was a BOMB DROPED IN CUSTOMER'S ( Home Owners ) LAP.

Little or no rate increase information was presented to Castlereagh Trustees, let alone individule property owners. Month after month the question was---Have you heard any thing from Mill Creek?

Little or no information was presented about "Plant, Filtration, Maintance, or Lagoon problems"

There was the question--where was the \$60 x ? homes going year after year? No information was presented on how Mill Creek calulated operating revenue let alone expenses. How many homes are in Mill Creek System?

Ref: ( A ) is like here it is. Take it or?? Again, as in the past no COST or REVENUE calculations are given to home owners ( CUSTOMERS ) .

By March 31, 2005 is not much time for Mero or even Castlereagh to begin Operation of this Sewer System. Will the Castlereagh Association or Metro Sewer operate this Sewer System??

Are there BIG PROBLEMS in the Mill Creek OPERATING SYSTEM? Are main line Sewer pipes in STREETS the responsibility of Mill Creek or the Home Owners? Who pays this replacement Cost?

Some one should explain what PROBLEMS are in this sewer system and the Cost of corrections.

Are the PROBLEMS being corrected so that Metro or Association may take over as indicated by Mill Creek? Is this one of the reasons for his outrageous rate increase? See Ref: ( A ) page 2 of 2

The current rate of Economic infation, to a certain point, can be justified.


But, A rate increase estimate of 985% is unreal and has not yet been justified . Where is information

Please advise the facts, figures, revenue, expense and number of Homes in Mill Creek operating System.


A previous Mill Sreek letter mentioned a ( Rate of Return ) on Plant? What's this?

Please advise why the Office of the Public Counsel or their representative has not called a Castle Reigh Subdivision meeting to discuss these important issues and other Home Owner's questions over the past 2 years or more.

Your reply would be appreciated.

  
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Florissant, Mo 63034

Public Service Commission  
Attn: Water/Sewer Dept.  
P O Box 360  
Jefferson City, Mo 65102

  
Shirley Breze Trustee  
138 Kings Dr.  
Florissant, Mo. 63042

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REF: (A)

**MILL CREEK SEWERS, INC.**

3160 PERSHALL ROAD

ST. LOUIS, MO 63136

314/522-6000

November 1, 2004

Dear Customer:

On February 20, 2002, Mill Creek Sewers, Inc. (Company) submitted a request for a permanent increase in its current sewer rates and charges, under the provisions of the Missouri Public Service Commission's small company rate increase procedure. By its request, the Company was seeking to establish customer rates that would generate an increase of \$43,700 (approximately 985%) in its annual sewer operating revenues.

As a result of the Company's request, the Staff of the Public Service Commission (Commission Staff) conducted an independent audit of the Company's books and records, and an investigation of the Company's business and system operations. Based upon the results of its audit and investigation, the Commission Staff has concluded that an increase of \$22,301 (approximately 500%) in the Company's annual sewer operating revenues is currently warranted, and that changes to and the addition of certain service charges are warranted. The Company has agreed with the Commission Staff's audit findings and conclusions, and has filed tariff revisions to implement those findings and conclusions. A table summarizing the Company's proposed revisions to its rates and charges, and including a monthly customer bill comparison is set out at the end of this notice.

This proposed increase in the Company's operating revenues is based upon an agreement that the Company and the Commission Staff will work together in an attempt to have the Company's sewer system transferred to either the Metropolitan Sewer District or the homeowners association for the subdivision where the system is located. If such a transfer does not occur by March 31, 2005, through no fault of the Company, the Company could then file additional tariff revisions to implement a second rate increase. That second rate increase, if it happens, would result in an increase of \$18,766 in the Company's annual sewer operating revenues, over and above that currently proposed. Implementation of both of these operating revenue increases would result in a total operating revenue increase of \$41,067 (approximately 925%).

The Office of the Public Counsel (OPC), a state agency responsible for representing the interests of utility consumers before the Commission, has reviewed the results of the Commission Staff's investigation. However, the OPC has not yet taken a final position regarding those results.

Any customer that has questions or comments about the Company's proposed revisions to its rates and charges, or that has comments regarding recent service-related problems, should contact the Commission Staff and/or the OPC, within 20 days of the date of this notice. To do so, please use the mailing addresses, telephone numbers, fax numbers or e-mail addresses shown below, and please include a reference to Commission Case No. SR-2005-0116.

Public Service Commission  
Attn: Water/Sewer Dept.  
P.O. Box 360  
Jefferson City, MO 65102  
Phone: 800/392-4211  
Fax: 573/751-1847  
E-Mail: [pscisd@psc.mo.gov](mailto:pscisd@psc.mo.gov)

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Depending upon the responses to this notice, the OPC may request that the Public Service Commission hold a local public hearing. However, regardless of whether a local public hearing is held, no increase in rates will take effect without the specific approval of the Public Service Commission.

Lastly, please be advised that all currently available information regarding the Company's rate increase request may be obtained via the Public Service Commission's Website as follows, and please also note that this information will be updated as the case moves forward.

- \* Go to <http://www.psc.mo.gov>
- \* On that page, click on the "EFIS" button near the top on the right side of the page
- \* On the next page, after reading the disclaimer, click on "I agree to terms above" and then click "Yes" when asked if you want to display the unsecured information
- \* On the next page, click on "Resources" near the top right of the page
- \* On the next page, click on "Case Information"
- \* On the next page, click on "Case Filing/Submission" and then click "Yes" when asked if you want to display the unsecured information
- \* On the next page, check the box to the left of "Case No."; enter SR-2005-0116 in the box to the right of Case No.; scroll to the bottom of the page and click on "Search"
- \* On the next page, click on "SR-2005-0116" and this will bring up a screen that contains all of the documents that have been filed in the case to date
- \* To view a document, click on the number in the "Item No." column

If you have questions about this notice, or about anything else with which I may be of assistance, please feel free to contact me at the telephone number listed at the top of the first page of this notice.

Sincerely,

/s/ Joe Afshari

Joe Afshari – President  
Mill Creek Sewers, Inc.

Type of Charge	Current Rates	Proposed Rates *
Monthly Flat Rate	\$5.00	\$30.11
Late Payment Charge	N/A	\$3.00 per month (3 months maximum)
Door Collection Charge	N/A	\$25.00
Returned Check Charge	N/A	\$20.00
Service Disconnection or Reconnection Charge	N/A	Actual Cost of Work Performed

\* If the second phase of the increase goes into effect, this rate will increase to \$51.25 per month.

REF: (A)  
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# CASTLEREAGH ESTATES

## ANNUAL MEETING MINUTES

### May 29, 2002

The meeting was called to order at the Black Jack Fire Station at 7:10 pm by Trustee Shirley Breeze. Rose Crofford was introduced as the other trustee in attendance. Don Baird, trustee, was absent due to a family commitment.

Attendance was taken; 35 properties were represented along with 2 properties from Afshari Plat II.

Minutes from last year's meeting, mailed out after the last meeting and also distributed prior to the meeting, were approved as written.

The treasurer's report indicated a balance of \$5,459.57.

Bob Palmer gave a report on the sewer situation. Some recent pertinent dates were June 1, 2001, hearing; September 1, 2001, treatment plant begun; December 1, 2001, DNR hearing before Judge Campbell indicating that improvements needed to be made on some aspects of the treatment plant; another hearing is anticipated in the next 6 weeks; a proposal for an increase filed before the PSC was received by the those on the sewer system on April 2, 2002. A letter was sent and petition signed by those residents affected to PSC requesting, among other things, a public hearing on the whole situation concerning the treatment plant and the proposed increase in rates for Mill Creek Sewer. Although fines have been assessed to Mill Creek Sewer, none so far have been paid. The lagoon still needs to be treated and permanently closed.

Rose Crofford gave an update on the installation of the treatment plant and some of the difficulties with her property and that of Karen and Phil Pagano. Both addressed questions from the audience concerning the total sewer situation.

Shirley Breeze reported that some calls had been made to authorities and notification to property owners concerning certain property conditions. She asked if there were others that needed to be addressed. The property at 12 Castle is a continuing problem, with major concern over the swimming pool in the back and the likelihood of it being a breeding ground for mosquitoes. A review of what has previously ensued with this property was given.

# **CASTLEREAGH ESTATES**

## **ANNUAL MEETING MINUTES**

**MAY 14, 1998**

**The meeting was called to order at the Black Jack Fire Station at 7:10 pm by Trustee Shirley Breeze. The trustees were introduced.**

**A list was passed for attendance. There were 38 people present.**

**Minutes from last year's meeting, mailed out prior to the meeting, were approved.**

**The treasurer's report was presented. There is \$5,419.47 in the bank account. The previous year's expenses included entry bush trimming (\$50.00), open house (\$100.00), supplies/mailings (\$321.08), electric service (\$85.49), and bank service charges (\$12.00). A \$50.00 assessment will probably be necessary in 1999.**

**Bob Palmer gave the sewer system report. In November 1997, trustees from Castlereagh (and Afshari Estates) met with officials of the St. Louis Metropolitan Sewer District (MSD), the Missouri Public Service Commission, the Missouri Department of Natural Resources, and the Missouri Attorney General's Office to discuss the Mill Creek Sewer System. As a result of that meeting, MSD agreed to survey the Mill Creek Sewer System on behalf of the Missouri PSC to determine general condition and cost of needed repair.**

**In the past few months MSD conducted and completed a survey of the sewer system. MSD now plans to hold a public hearing for June 15, 16, or 17 for discussion of the Mill Creek System with homeowners on the system. Notification should be mailed to those affected. Homeowners will probably be encouraged to form a sub-district that would be run by MSD. Cost of the repairs would be shared by the 68 homeowners on the system.**

**The Missouri Attorney General will continue to pursue legal action against Joseph Afshari and Mill Creek Sewers.**

**Pat Viets reported on the refurbishment of the subdivision entrance. Plans are for replacement of shrubs with new shrubs and ground cover. Repainting the fence and**

CASTLEREAGH ESTATES  
ANNUAL MEETING MINUTES

MAY 22, 1996

The meeting was called to order at the Black Jack Fire Station at 7:10 pm by Trustee Tony DiSalvo. The trustees were introduced-- Tony DiSalvo, Shirley Breeze, and Linda Vaughan. There were 49 people in attendance.

The minutes of the May 24, 1995, meeting were approved as distributed.

Linda Vaughan read the treasurer's report. The checking account balance as of May 22, 1996, was \$5,525.98; interest for 1995 was \$43.49 and year-to-date interest was \$29.20. Other expenses included grass mowing, \$550.00; electric service, \$105.37; supplies and stamps, 58.50; and bank service charges, \$24.00. The treasurer reported that approximately 20 households had not yet paid the 1995 assessment. Another reminder will be sent to the delinquent households reminding them of payment.

Laura Viets, for Sewer Committee Chair Pat Viets, reported on the committee's activities since the previous annual meeting. The following is part of that report:

Mr. Afshari has yet to honor his signed consent agreement to upgrade and maintain the wastewater treatment plant. It has been nearly four years since the court agreement was entered, but Mr. Afshari has received numerous continuances each time a hearing has been scheduled. There have been two postponements this year.

The sewer committee has followed up with notes and documents passed on by former chairperson, Rich Banholzer, and members have been available for each hearing. The next hearing is set for June 24 in St. Louis County courts. The members of the committee are prepared to present written testimony to be read by chairman Pat Viets, as well as recent photographs of the sewer system in its state of disrepair. Anyone interested in participating in these efforts to put the pressure on Mr. Afshari and attend the next hearing please contact Pat Viets at 921-6379.

Bob Palmer, a member of the committee, added that he had sent a copy of the recent billing of \$60.00 from Mr. Afshari for sewer

CASTLEREAGH ESTATES  
ANNUAL MEETING MINUTES  
MAY 24, 1995

The meeting was called to order at the Black Jack Fire Station at 7:05 pm by Trustee Tony Disalvo. The trustees introduced themselves--Tony Disalvo, Linda Vaughan, and Shirley Breeze. There were 68 people in attendance.

The minutes of the previous meeting, May 25, 1994, were approved as read and distributed.

Former trustee John Winkelmeier was thanked for his years of service to Castlereagh. Shirley Breeze was nominated to a full three-year term. There were no nominations from the floor. Shirley Breeze was elected.

A treasurer's report was distributed. The balance as of May 24, 1995, is \$2,742.97. A question was raised about the \$50 assessment and about the previous spending on legal fees. The current trustees stressed that they had no plans for any additional expenditures for legal fees from the current assessment. They noted that there had not been an assessment since 1987 and that the treasury had become dangerously low. It was reported that at this time about one-third of the residents had paid the 1995 assessment. People were reminded that this assessment is due on May 30.

Rich Banholzer, chair of the Sewer Committee, gave an extensive report on the activities thus far concerning the status of the lagoon, including several meetings, one of which included Senator John Schneider, Terry Briggs (Metropolitan Sewer District), Joseph Bindbeutel (on the staff of state Attorney General Jay Nixon), and the members of the Sewer Committee. Joseph Afshari has done nothing to improve the situation during the last year. His request for a rate increase has been refused by the Missouri Public Service Commission. There are about 78 houses on the sewer; however, it was stressed that the sewer situation is a concern of everyone living in Castlereagh. A discussion was held on the situation. At the end of the discussion, Rich Banholzer resigned from the Sewer Committee for personal reasons.

A motion was made that Castlereagh continue to have a Sewer Committee in order to keep on top of the situation. Motion passed.

Volunteers were requested to serve on the committee. The following people responded: Pat Viets, John Cook, Lori LaRose, Gary Steyer, and Jim Jensen. Several members of the current committee will continue to serve also.

CASTLEREAGH ANNUAL SD  
MEETING MINUTES  
May 20, 1993

The meeting was called to order by Al Bayliss at 7:09PM on May 20, 1993. Al read the minutes of the May 27, 1992 meeting. A motion was made and seconded to approve the minutes; motion passed. The Treasurer's report was brief; a detailed one is enclosed. The Treasurer's report was approved.

Rich Banholzer gave a report regarding the sewer problem. As of 4/26/93 Rich talked with Andy Applebaum with the Department of Reserouces regarding the engineering report from Afshari engineer. Afshari said he was going to provide a sledge tank. A sewage treatment and aireater plant will cost approximately \$50,000.00 which doesn't include the cost of removal of the sledge. Rich talked with MSD regarding a lift station. He received various prices and estimates depending on sizes and areas covered. They are requesting a more detailed report. Rich suggested the Subdivision lawyer write a letter requesting information about whats going on and also contact Mr. Bindbeutel at the attorney generals office regarding an injunction. Right now Afshari is supposed to take care of the problem. He cannot charge the residents. Al thanked Rich and his committee for doing such a great job.

It was brought up that the bulk of Castlereagh residents do not want to get involved with MSD. Rich commented he would like to get MSD involved and change from septic systems to sewers. One comment was that some people are perfectly happy with septic tanks. Comments were made regarding MSD laying sewers and making it mandatory to hook-up. It was brought up that their is some confusion regarding storm sewers. Some are the responsibility of the county and some are MSD. ??

Nominations for a Trustee for the position Al Bayliss holds. His term is up. Linda Vaughn was nominated. Al asked for any other nominations. There was one, the person declined. It was approved that Linda Vaughn would be the new Trustee.

A motion was made and seconded to nominate Jan Ammerman to remain the caretaker of the entrance. It was approved and Jan was thanked for an excellent job in the past. A comment was made regarding shrubs at the entrance. Jan commented that the shrubs were old and woody and it is hard to cut them back too far without it looking worse. Someone suggested adding some new plants and flowers. It was suggested that a few older, bigger shrubs could be removed and replaced. John Winkelmeier volunteered to get bids on removing some. The trustees are also to get a hold of the Afshari Trustees to see about a joint fix-up of the entrance. A motion was made to limit the amount spent. Second motion was made to leave it up to the trustees. This was seconded and passed.

Speeding in the subdivision was brought up again. It is a problem every year. It was suggested that residents call the County Police with complaints. Also watch for walkers.

We should include the mosquito control #854-6630 in a mailout. Someone asked for information regarding fighting their Real Estate Tax increase and were given suggestions. Someone asked if any burglaries had occurred. NO, only kids damaging signs.

A motion was made to adjourn and approved at 8:05PM.

CASTLEREAGH ANNUAL MEETING  
MAY 27, 1992

The meeting was called to order at 7:05 PM on May 27, 1991. Treasurer's report was read and accepted (see attached report).

First item of discussion was the "No Parking Signs" in the subdivision. Comments were that they keep people from driving on lawns. They were originally put up because of Sioux Passage Park. People were parking on all of the streets in the subdivision. It was mentioned that if a resident has a party they could park on the street just be sure not to block both lanes and probably nothing would be done.

A letter was read that was submitted by a resident regarding the speeding in the subdivision especially on Castle Drive. Everyone agreed that this should be something everyone should be aware of constantly. Speed bumps were suggested but it was decided not necessary. It was also suggested that residents call the police and ask that they put up radar. There were lots of comments and concerns regarding the speeding and also drivers not obeying yield signs.

A motion was made to nominate a new trustee: John Winkelmeyer. This motion was seconded and passed. He will follow Mary Kay Murray who's term is completed. It was noted what a great job Mary Kay has done and thanks and appreciation from everyone. Mary Kay commented about how she got involved, because of the problems with the subdivision entrance lights. It was brought up that sometimes the entrance lights are on during the day. A Busken Construction truck may have damaged them. This will be looked into.

New Business: The issue of sewer problems which affect part of the subdivision (Mill Creek, part of Kings & Duke). Laurie Donovan, Rep. called one of the residents and mentioned she was working on this problem. It was suggested that people contact her. It was stressed that the trustee were reluctant to pursue the issue since it did not involve all of the residents. It was suggested that committee be formed to investigate the Mill Creek sewer problem and report back to this group regarding options. A motion was made for this suggestion, seconded and approved. The committee is as follows: Rich Banholzer, Chairman; Will Tucker and Ginny Patterson. If anyone else would be interested in serving on this committee contact one of these people. Some of the issues the committee will address are identifying houses on the system, finding out about the problems and solutions.

Concerns were raised regarding the subdivision bylaws and indentures, name changes, ect. when a new person moves in. It was suggested we find a way to give this information to a new person when they move in.

A motion was made and seconded to have Jan Ammerman continue to maintain the entrance. He has been doing an excellent job and should continue. This motion passed. It was suggested that we trim the shrubs also. We had two volunteers.

A motion to adjourn the meeting was made and seconded. The meeting was adjourned at 7:50 PM.