

May 10, 2010

TO: Jeff Davis County Commissioner's Court

FROM: DMPOA, Inc. Board of Directors
Phyllis Arp, President and Joe Rowe, Treasurer

**Davis Mountains Property Owners Association, Inc.
Davis Mountains Resort, Fort Davis, TX
Proposal for County Financial Support concerning Illegal Dumping**

Facts about the DMR subdivision:

- 1) Contains 8121.7 acres with 954 individual tracts/lots;
- 2) Has roughly 75 miles of unpaved roads on mountain terrain;
- 3) Has its own Volunteer Fire Department with their own equipment;
- 4) Has a properly-functioning Property Owners Association;
- 5) Has all its own road maintenance equipment, including a mobile rock crusher (owned by its Association).

Facts about DMPOA, Inc:

- 1) The Board is sympathetic to the fact the majority of DMR residents are on fixed or low incomes;
- 2) The Board of Directors work on a 100% volunteer basis;
- 3) Has maintained all the many responsibilities and associated finances required by the corporation;
- 4) Is afforded a small number of paid employees with its annual revenue (assessment fees);
- 5) Deal with numerous community issues (*recently addressed in a written letter to all DMR property owners*):
 - a. Speeding and unsafe driving (*new signs recently posted*)
 - b. Unsafe/unsupervised "recreational" 4-wheelers (*request for drivers to carry ID in event of 911 call*)
 - c. Subdivision trespassing by non-property owners
 - d. Poaching of wildlife
 - e. Theft of community resources and private services (*i.e. private dumpster service*)
 - f. Illegal dumping and littering (*new signs recently posted*)
- 6) Has functioned autonomously with little required local law enforcement, and no county financial support.

Facts about DMR property owners:

- 1) Receive no county financial support of any kind for its community needs;
- 2) Often inquire as to why their tax dollars return no county dollars for their community;
- 3) Rely solely on their DMPOA assessment fees to maintain road access and address other problematic issues;
- 4) Rely mostly on community volunteers for other needs within the community;
- 5) Make long drives to Hwy 166 just to get their mail (approx 100 roundtrips three times per week);
- 6) Pay for waste disposal, whether private DMR service and/or the county's landfill (in addition to assessment fees and taxes);
- 7) Appraised DMR property values have increased, therefore increasing annual revenue to the county;
- 8) The majority of residents are retired and/or are on fixed or low incomes;
- 9) DMPOA assessment fees have reached the maximum amount affordable for DMR residents.

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| Jeff Davis County Population, 2009 US Census Bureau | 2,258 | |
| DMR residents (single and single-family), approx..... | 250 | |
| | | Valuation |
| County non-homesteaded real property tax listings..... | 3,954 | \$ 54,783,510 |
| County homesteaded real property tax listings | <u>650</u> | <u>19,635,070</u> |
| | 4,604 | \$ 74,418,580 |
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| DMR non-homesteaded real property tax listings | 701 | <i>not available</i> |
| DMR homesteaded real property tax listings | <u>110</u> | <u><i>not available</i></u> |
| *Estimated from 2000 valuations & subsequent increases | 811 | \$ 21,156,814* |

DMR property owners pay an estimated 28.43% of the county's real property taxes.

DMPOA, Inc. requests the Commissioner's Court approve Jeff Davis County paying for and providing to DMR:

2010 - One roll-off dumpster in DMR for 1 week \$ 1,073.00

2011 - Budget one roll-off dumpster in DMR for 2 separate weeks \$ 2,146.00

Location and specific dates of service to be chosen by the DMPOA (between June 25th and Labor Day weekend/September).