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At this time of the Covid-19 Pandemic which has altered almost every aspect of how we function as individuals, groups and society in general, it is important to remember how much, despite social distancing we are reliant on one another in so many ways.

During the past year and a half the ABCPOA has been actively engaged in serving its members interests through united communications, advocacy, monitoring and evaluating the policies and legislative activities of the state, county and local bodies as they might impact the property values, safety, health and quality of life in Brunswick County.

Each of the Standing Committees of the ABCPOA has brought information specific to the overarching interests to the attention of our members. Some of these include the monitoring of applications placed before the Insurance Commission that would affect rates throughout the county; federal legislation that would remove the Stafford Act's current prohibition for providing FEMA disaster aid to "communities of interest"; monitoring and reporting the serious water quality issues created in the local water supply by toxic dumping; providing timely information on the activities of the North Carolina Department of Transportation, particularly with regard to the Carolina Bays Highway extension into Brunswick County, and most significantly, collaborating with the County Board of Health in developing a distribution list including all ABCPOA board members for timely and accurate information concerning the Covid-19 situation here in Brunswick County.

The ABCPOA has expressed the concerns of member associations to the appropriate legislative and regulatory authorities with whom working relationships are being developed.

Most significantly the collaborating with the County Board of Health through the County Administrator's Office a distribution list including all ABCPOA members provides timely and accurate information concerning the Covid-19 situation here in Brunswick County.

During our regular meetings some of the most valuable time is spent with Board Members interacting on matters of mutual concern and interest. Despite the prohibition on groups exceeding ten individuals the practice has continued through email distribution on matters

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which range from identifying local contractors for specific types of work, storm water and road maintenance issues, and governance and policy issues. The most significant communications in recent days, have centered on how other communities are addressing the use of common area properties during the “shut down” and consulting on the most recent Phase II concerns of how to safely manage the requirements of that executive order. While each community is independent and solely responsible for its decisions the ability to communicate enables the decision makers in each community to have a range of perspectives while deliberating their own decision.

The ABCPOA, its Executive Board and the Board of Directors which is comprised of representatives from each member community, while unique and independent, share a common commitment to making their communities and Brunswick County in general a place we are proud to call home.

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