

Prairie Village Newsletter

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NOTES FROM THE 1/19/2016 BOARD MEETING

COMMITTEE MEMBER APPOINTMENTS: 2 new committee members were appointed: Ray Hoppes, Architectural Control Committee; Howard Ragin, NGLA.

CENTRAL PARK:

Planting beds: The beds on the west side will be reworked late spring. The beds on the east side were completed last year.

Circuit equipment: The BOD decided not to use the NGLA 2016 grant at this time for the circuit equipment due to lack of response to the survey and lack of enough support from the responses that were collected. The Board will also wait and see what the Longmont Housing Dev. Corp. does with respect to their property so we can evaluate what the actual equipment, if any, that they plan to install. This equipment will be available for us to use. The Grant money will be used to add park benches throughout the neighborhood.

SPRING MAINTENANCE BIDS: A 3-year contract was approved with Rock Solid for \$30,395/yr.

NGLA: Jim Hahn reported from the December meeting that the Grant program is on track. The police reported at the meeting that credit card skimmers are increasing and that puffers are illegal if parked on the street.

TOWNHOMES: Arlan reported that DR Horton has submitted plans to the City to build 36 townhomes on the 4.18 acre plot G which is opposite the Senior Housing on Canadian Crossing. The plot was originally plotted for 56 units. The townhomes will face the Senior Housing with alley load garages.

COVENANTS: Hindman Sanchez Law Firm has been retained to review and rewrite our covenants for \$6,900. After their review, a special meeting will be held for homeowners to provide input. It is stressed that homeowners are not to contact the Law Firm with questions or comments. Each contact with them increases their charges. You will have an opportunity for input at the special meeting which will be announced at a later date.

NEXT BOD MEETING: Tuesday, April 5, 6:00 pm at PML.

Prairie Village Home Owners Shade Structure

Arlan Dohrmann, President

At the annual Prairie Village Homeowners Association meeting last November, the members present (including proxies) voted overwhelming to construct a shade structure in Central Park. The proposed project is a 20' x 20' all steel shelter with a 4 sided metal roof and a concrete floor. Additionally, the construction will also include an access sidewalk of 15' from the perimeter sidewalk in Central Park. The proposed location is in the northwest area of the park.

The proposed shelter offers expanded opportunities for association members to enjoy HOA sponsored and hosted events, neighborhood events and family gatherings as well as other celebratory events.

At the annual meeting the members present (including proxies) also approved the 2016 annual budget which included the proposed shade structure project including the purchase, delivery, construction and necessary permits and licenses. The future estimated annual costs for maintenance and insurance will cost approximately \$200 per year and will be paid from association dues. There will be no special assessment associated with the shade structure project as the Board has decided to use funds on hand.

In order to enter into a construction contract for the shade shelter project, the Board is seeking the written consent of the majority of HOA members through a petition process. Board members and others are going door to door to obtain the written consent of the members. There are 204 members in the Prairie Village HOA and the Board is required to obtain the consent signatures of 105 members.

STREET LIGHTS

As our neighborhood is starting to age, the street lights are starting to go out. I was told by a City worker that the plan is to replace all of our street lights in about 4 to 5 years with LED lights. But in the meantime, if the street light by your home goes out, James Emmer has provided this efficient information for reporting it.

Go to: longmontcolorado.gov; click on the "I Want To" link. This will expand a selection. Click on the link "Streetlight or Pedestal Light" then fill out and submit the form.

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PV HOMEOWNERS SHADE STRUCTURE UPDATE

Arlan Dohrmann, President

After knocking on doors in the neighborhood in recent weeks, the PV HOA Board and several volunteers were able to beat the snow storm and gather sufficient HOA member signatures. The required number of signatures needed to allow the Board to move forward with the next phase of getting the shade shelter in Central Park is 105. Since we have more than enough signatures, we are suspending further collection of signatures. Stay tuned for future updates.

SNOW AND ICE IN PV

This winter has been an unusual season for snow and ice. Typically, we have a snow storm and within a couple days the sun has come out and the temperatures warm up and it all melts and goes away until the next storm. Hasn't happened this year. It seems to be sticking around. The HOA, with your dues, has the sidewalks plowed once following a storm when the snow reaches a depth of 2 inches. Per City Code, it is still the homeowners responsibility to keep their sidewalk cleared of snow and ice. The plows will make 1 pass down the sidewalks but the homeowner may need to do additional cleanup.

The only street that the City plows in PV is Olympia. Intersections throughout the neighborhood have become treacherous for cars and pedestrians with the gutters getting clogged with snow and ice. If you come across such an intersection, please call the City Street Department, 303-774-4446, and report it. Hopefully, they will come out and use ice slicer to clear it up. The more calls they get the better chance we have of them responding. You will need to provide the location/address of the intersection.

RECYCLING REMINDER

Plastic bags should NOT be placed in the curbside recycle bins. They bind up sorting equipment at the recycling center, an inefficiency that wastes time and money. To dispose of your grocery and newspaper plastic bags, they can be used to pick up your dog waste when walking your dog. Also, King Soopers has a bin at the entrance where you can place your bags for recycling.

FIBER OPTICS

NextLight is scheduled to begin construction in our neighborhood the first part of this year (they wouldn't give me an exact date). You can call them, 303-651-8386, and get on a list to be notified when it is available. After construction starts, it will take several months for the service to become available. In the meantime, the City is offering a class at the Senior Center on how to prepare for NextLight. The next class is Thursday, Feb. 11, 1:00 to 3:30. The cost is \$2 per person. You can sign up by calling, 303-651-8411 or stopping in at 910 Longs Peak Ave.

CARING COOKS

This group was started 2 years ago by Carol Erickson. The purpose is that neighbors provide meals to neighbors who have had surgery, a death in the family, or who are unable to make meals due to health issues. The meals have been much appreciated by those who have received them. When there is a need, Carol sends out a notice to the group and then anyone in the group who is able signs up to provide a meal. The group is in need of a few more cooks. If you would like to help others when they are in need or have any questions, please send Carol an email at carolericksonm@gmail.com.

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BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING – 6/16/2016

The next Board of Directors meeting is scheduled for Thursday, August 25 at 6:00 pm at the PML office on South Main St. Residents are welcome to attend.

CENTRAL PARK PAVILLION/SHADE STRUCTURE: Permits and licenses were submitted a week ago for construction. It takes approx. 1 to 4 weeks for approval. Once approval is received, construction will begin and take 1 week. A reservation process is being reviewed for residents who would like to reserve the pavilion for a personal event. Further information will be published after completion.

PARK BENCHES: The Landscape Committee and NGLA Committee is in the process of determining the location of the benches. They will be installed by the end of this year. They will be placed in various locations throughout PV.

WATERING PARKS: Pictures were presented to the Board by PML of the change in the condition of the park grasses from Wednesday to Thursday due to the heat and dry weather. Due to the significant increase in water rates, the Board decided to cut back some on the summer watering and not maintain all the grass areas at a lush green level, but a light green with some yellow areas. The grass area on the north side of the community from the sidewalk north to Hwy 66 will only be watered three times a week, which is enough to keep alive but not looking like a golf course. The Board will be looking at additional modifications to the current irrigation system for next year in preparation for the rate increases. A water audit through the Center for ReSource Conservation will be applied for to help determine what upgrades and repairs need to be made. With this audit, we will be eligible to apply for an improvement grant from the City and NGLA to help with the costs.

NEXTLIGHT: Updates on their progress are available by calling 811.

COMMON AREA TREES & SHRUBS: PML has done a walkthrough of the common areas and has identified dead trees and shrubs that will be removed. They have also identified 23 Ash trees in our HOA. Emerald Ash Borer has been detected in Longmont. Residents who have Ash trees need to either start treating their trees now or have them removed. Treatment will not save your tree from dying, it will only delay it. For more information you can visit www.emeraldashborer.info

Fire Blight is another highly contagious disease for trees and needs to be treated or it will continue to spread. For more information on identifying and managing Fire Blight go to: <http://extension.colostate.edu/topic-areas/yard-garden/fire-blight-2-907/>

PET OWNERS



We would like to remind all pet owners to be responsible pet owners. Please keep your pet on a leash when outside, clean up after your pet not only in the common area but your yard as well. Now that the weather is warmer many people are spending more time outside. Make sure they are not being a nuisance to neighbors by constantly barking.

LANDSCAPING

Residents are reminded to take care of all of your landscaping, not only in your yard but also the areas outside of your fence, along the alleys and sidewalks. All residents need to make sure their plants and mulch are kept off of the sidewalks, all weeds are removed and tree branches are trimmed 8” above the sidewalk and 15” above the streets. Dead plants, shrubs and trees need to be removed asap and replaced.

PRAIRIE VILLAGE OWNER’S ASSOCIATION
TREE MAINTENANCE COURTESY NOTICE

Homeowners are responsible for the maintenance of trees on their property, including the streetscapes (the grass areas between the sidewalk and the street). This includes pruning, disease prevention and health maintenance. A number of homeowners’ trees are overdue for pruning, a critical step in maintaining the health of the tree. Dead trees or dying trees that cannot be saved must be removed and replaced. Owner’s who fail to keep trees pruned or removed once dead are at risk of being liable for damage or injury caused as a result of not maintaining the tree. There are pruning timelines that must be followed to ensure that insurance coverage is effective.

If you have a tree that does not meet City established clearance guidelines, is dead/dying or needs treatment due to infestation, you may be subject to Association and City fines if you do not address the issue promptly. Consider this your courtesy notice if any of these apply.

Included in this notice is a list of City licensed tree maintenance companies and some of the more relevant City of Longmont Ordinances regarding trees.

Licensed Tree Service Contractors - City of Longmont

NAME OF BUSINESS	CONTACT NAME	CITY	PHONE	E-MAIL
Left Hand Tree & Landscape	Todd Huston	Longmont	303-589-2061	toddarthurhuston@aol.com
Affordable Tree	Rich Woolley	Longmont	303-517-0231	None
Reinholt Tree Care	Chris Reinholt	Longmont	303-931-9282	reinholt@me.com
3 D Tree Care	Doug Hewitt	Longmont	720-352-6774	3dtreecare@gmail.com
Bees and Trees Inc.	Chad Street	Longmont	303-669-9520	chadstreet@msn.com
St. Vrain Arbor Care	John Robbins	Longmont	303-772-3136	info@stvrainarborcare.com
Helping Hand Contracting	Joe Giudice	Longmont	303-772-7419	joesinatree@yahoo.com
Parker Tree Service	Jamin Mayer	Longmont	303-678-8013	parkertreeservice@gmail.com
Chuck’s Tree Service	Rick Markley	Longmont	303-772-3647	None
Precision Felling	Justin Kennymore	Longmont	720-201-9630	precisionfelling@gmail.com
Bodhi Tree Care	James Young	Longmont	303-356-6412	bodhitreecare@hotmail.com

This is not an endorsement of these businesses.

13.24.030. Clearance requirements.

It shall be the obligation of the owner of any property to remove, trim, or otherwise treat trees and plants which:

- A. Project into or encroach upon any public right-of-way in such a manner as to interfere with, obstruct, or endanger the safe public use of the right-of-way for pedestrian or vehicular traffic.
- B. Fail to provide clearance over streets and alleys of at least 15 feet and over sidewalks of at least eight feet.
- C. Block the visibility of a street light or traffic control device as defined in the Manual on Uniform Traffic Control Devices, such as a traffic regulatory sign or street identification sign.
- D. Create a sight distance triangle obstruction. See Forestry Services Standards and Specifications for diagrams and additional information.
- E. Grow within three feet of a fire hydrant.

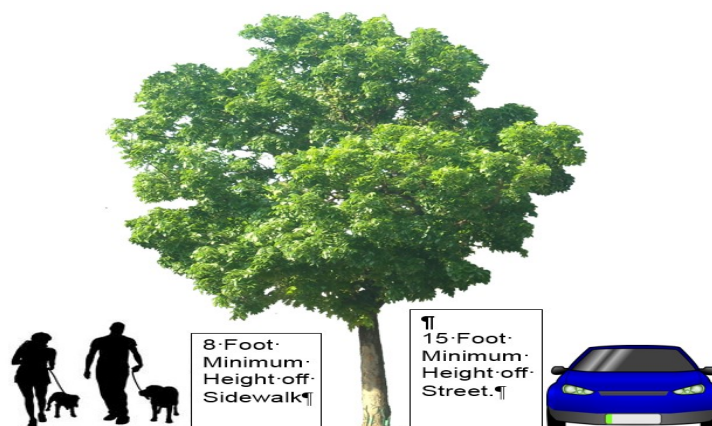
The city is authorized to prune any tree or shrub to create a clearance need listed above and to assess the cost of such trimming against the owner of the encroaching tree or plant. (Ord. No. O-2013-40, § 4, 8-27-2013)

13.24.050. Infected or infested trees.

Upon the discovery of any destructive or communicable disease, or mortality-causing insect which endangers the growth, health, life, or well-being of trees, or which is capable of causing an epidemic spread, the director of public works and natural resources or a designee will provide written notice to affected property owners. Written notice will contain requirements that the property owner eradicate, remove or otherwise control the condition within a time frame specified in the notice. Addressing specific issues and wood waste disposal requirements of contagious, diseased or infected plant material shall be identified in the Forestry Services Standards and Specifications. Commercial arborist and tree maintenance contractors shall also adhere to these requirements. (Ord. No. O-2013-40, § 4, 8-27-2013)

13.24.060. Dead or unsafe trees.

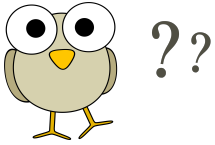
The owner of any property shall remove any dead, dying, or structurally unsound tree or limb likely to cause injury to a person or property. When a dead, dying or structurally unsound tree or limb has the potential to adversely affect adjacent property and is likely to cause injury to a person or property, the owner shall remove or trim such tree or limb so as to avoid injury or damage to or on adjacent property. (Ord. No. O-2013-40, § 4, 8-27-2013)



PRAIRIE VILLAGE ANNUAL PICNIC



Our Annual Picnic is coming up in August. Please let Susan Porter, skporter2010@gmail.com, know if anyone would like to volunteer to help. A tentative date is August 21st. More information to follow.



If anyone has any ideas for events, please send them to Susan, skporter2010@gmail.com.



PRAIRIE VILLAGE
NEIGHBORHOOD YARD SALE
SATURDAY, JULY 9
8 am to 2 pm

A neighborhood yard sale is being organized for Saturday, July 9 from 8 am to 2 pm. An ad will be placed in the Times Call and signs will be put out at the entrance. So, if you would like to clean out your basement, garage, and closets, this is a great opportunity. You will set your own sale up in your own yard or you may use one of the park areas. Feel free to add additional signs directing people to your sale.

Thank you Karin Buckner for volunteering to organize this.

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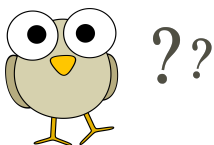
Construction of the pavilion/shade structure is progressing. Structure is up and the tables have been delivered. We are now waiting for the concrete to cure, then the tables will be secured. Landscaping still needs to go in around the structure. We will publish when it is ready to use.



PRAIRIE VILLAGE ANNUAL PICNIC

Our Annual Picnic will be held in September. The date will be published when a few more details have been finalized. Volunteers are needed for set up, tear down and to help with games. Please let Susan Porter, skporter2010@gmail.com, know if you would like to volunteer to help. More information to follow.

Upcoming events will be the Halloween event on October 31st. A Halloween Costume parade is planned with pizza to follow.



If anyone has any ideas for events, please send them to Susan, skporter2010@gmail.com.

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NEIGHBORHOOD GREETERS COMMITTEE

The BOD would like to thank Ruth Lorenzetti, Carol Erickson, and Jan Baird for serving on this committee. They have done a wonderful job welcoming new residents to our community.

HELP WANTED!!

We are looking for residents to serve on the Neighborhood Greeters Committee. After 3 years of service, the current members have decided to retire. This committee welcomes new residents to our community. If this is something that you would be interested in being a part of, please contact one of the Board of Directors.

COMMENTS SOLICITED FOR WINDY GAP PROJECT

The City is soliciting resident's comments on the proposed Windy Gap Firing Project. They are proposing 3 options to pay for this project. As you have read in the newspaper, this project will significantly affect our water rates as residents and as an HOA over the next 2+ years. As an example, if Option 1 is chosen by the City, an additional \$13,000 +/- will come out of our HOA reserves over the next 2 years to cover the additional cost of watering, thus, raising our dues. To learn more and to participate in the comments survey, follow the instructions below. You will go to the City of Longmont Website then proceed from there.

IE procedure:

- > *BRING UP* ~ the City of Longmont web site ~
- > Then *FILL IN the "SEARCH" BLANK* with ~ "Windy Gap Firing Project" ~ & *CLICK SEARCH* ~
- > Then *CLICK ON* ~ "Windy Gap Firing Project" ~ *to review the three financing options* ~
- > (After reviewing options) then *CLICK ON* ~ "Windy Gap Finance Options Comment Form" ~
- > Then *Complete the form & SUBMIT*

Please submit your comments by October 15. Comments will be presented to the City Council at the Oct. 25 Council meeting.

PV EVENTS

Over the past several years, Susan Porter has been the PV Events coordinator. She has been responsible for most of the events that have been happening in our neighborhood. The Annual picnic was the biggest we have ever had in the past 11 years. She has also come up with a lot of new events such as the 4th of July parade, Halloween party, and Easter Egg hunt. Due to increased work demands, Susan is stepping down as the Event Coordinator. Thank you, Susan for all your hard work.

The BOD has established a format for events. The PV Events coordinator will be in charge of the PV events budget, storing supplies and signs. Residents will be responsible for coordinating each event by determining what that event is, obtaining other volunteers to help him/her, getting needed supplies staying within that events established budget, set up and clean up, and advertising in the newsletter. In the past, all the responsibility has fallen on 1 person. This new format will spread the responsibility to more people. If a resident would like to see an event happen, they would coordinate that one event with the guidance of the PV Events coordinator. So, it comes down to 'no volunteer = no event'.

The BOD is searching for a PV Event coordinator to replace Susan. If you would like to fill this position, please contact a BOD.

Upcoming events that a resident has volunteered to coordinate: Halloween party – Susan Porter
Holiday Progressive Party – Carol Hahn

A REMINDER

The Board of Directors is a volunteer position. They are residents of our community, your neighbors, who have jobs and families. PML, Inc is contracted by our HOA to manage Prairie Village. PML is our primary contact for problems, concerns or issues you feel that need to be addressed. If you see a problem or have a concern or issue, please contact our Property Manager, Janet at janetpaul@pmlinc.net with specific information including the name and address of the complaining Owner and the allege violations including the address where a violation is occurring. If the problem is a City Code violation such as weeds, trees, illegal parked vehicles, speeding or any other City Ordinance, please contact City Code Enforcement at 303-651-8695 with the address or location of the violation.



SAVE THE DATE!

PV HOMEOWNERS ANNUAL MEETING
MONDAY, NOVEMBER 14, 2016
RECEPTION AT 6:30 PM, MEETING AT 7:00 PM
LOCATION: FAITH COMMUNITY LUTHERN CHURCH
9775 UTE HIGHWAY (HWY 66)
BETWEEN RTE 287 AND HOVER RD.

Coming to our Annual Meeting is a great way to learn up-to-date information about what has been going on and what is planned for 2017! The Annual Meeting notice with the meeting agenda, 2017 budget, last year's minutes and a proxy will be mailed out in the coming weeks.

There is one 3-year position on the Board of Directors that is up for election. If you are interested in serving on the Board, please submit your information along with a short bio to our Property Manager, Janet Paul at PML.

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1. Bulletin board at the pavilion and 9 new benches in the parks will be installed around the middle of November
2. Rock Solid was chosen from 4 bids to continue with snow removal for this season
3. The governing documents have been returned to the attorney for rewrite after the Board review. They should be ready for homeowner review around the first of the year.
4. 2017 NGLA Grant money will be used to refurbish the 2 east beds along the Ute Trail. Suggestions for 2018 NGLA Grant money intent submittal will be requested at the Annual Meeting.
5. Landscape committee presented options for upgrading/improving Ute Trail irrigation system.



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9775 UTE HIGHWAY (HWY 66)
BETWEEN RTE 287 AND HOVER RD.

Coming to our Annual Meeting is a great way to learn up-to-date information about what has been going on and what is planned for 2017! The Annual Meeting notice with the meeting agenda, 2017 budget, last year's minutes and a proxy will be mailed out in the coming weeks.

A Social time with appetizers served will be from 6:30 to 7:00 pm. The meeting will start promptly at 7:00 pm.

There is one 3-year position on the Board of Directors that is up for election. If you are interested in serving on the Board, please submit your information along with a short bio to our Property Manager, Janet Paul at PML by November 1.

Sign up for committees will be available, 2017 Budget will be presented, discussion on what to submit for the next NGLA Grant money and updates on other projects in the neighborhood.

HELP WANTED!!

HOW YOU CAN BECOME A PART OF YOUR COMMUNITY

Prairie Village is a vibrant and active community where neighbors care about each other. A number of committees need your help to keep our neighborhood active and to maintain the quality of life we have. If you are interested in volunteering to serve on a committee, please contact a Board member. Committees meet on an as-needed basis so it's not like having a work schedule.

ARCHITECTURAL CONTROL: Review architectural changes submitted by homeowners. Knowledge of City Building Codes and PV Covenants would be helpful. If you are interested in serving on this committee or have questions, please contact Arlan Dohrmann, arlando2@comcast.net

CARING COOKS: The purpose is that neighbors provide meals for a limited time to neighbors who have had surgery, a death in the family, or who are unable to make meals due to health issues. The meals have been much appreciated by those who have received them. When there is a need, Carol sends out a notice to the group and then anyone in the group who is able signs up to provide a meal. The group is in need of a few more cooks. If you would like to help others when they are in need or have any questions, please contact Carol Erickson by email at carolericksonm@gmail.com.

NEIGHBORHOOD GREETERS: Three residents are needed to welcome new residents in the neighborhood. You will take a welcome packet with information about the neighborhood activities. If interested, please contact a Board member.

EVENTS COMMITTEE: We need residents to volunteer to organize an event of your choice. Under the guidance of the Event Committee coordinator, you obtain volunteers to help you with the event of your choice, get needed supplies staying within that events established budget, set up and clean up, and advertising in the newsletter. A list of suggested events will be at the Annual meeting or residents are encouraged to suggest events. For more information or to volunteer for an event, contact Susan Porter, skporter2010@gmail.com

LANDSCAPE COMMITTEE: Review HOA common areas and provide a written assessment and recommendations to the Board for specific issues such as irrigation, ground cover, climatic appropriate plantings, restoration or removal. To volunteer, contact a Board member.

CAR ROBBERIES

An unlocked car had items stolen out of it recently. Residents are reminded to lock your cars and don't leave valuables visible inside. Don't give vandals a reason to come into our neighborhood. They only target unlocked cars.

PV NORTH HALLOWEEN PARTY



Prairie Village HOA

4th Annual Kids Pizza Party and

Halloween Costume Contest!!

Don't want to fix dinner on this busy Halloween night? Bring the kids down to the park and enjoy our fourth annual Prairie Village Halloween parade/costume contest and pizza party! There will be pizza and prizes for all of the kids.

No kids? Dress up your dog and let them parade around, or just come to enjoy the festivities!

We are also asking people to bring a clean and gently used coat or a blanket that we can donate to the OUR Center for their Warm and Cozy Holiday Program.

When: 5:00 pm October 31

Where: Central park on Pepler and Windmill at the new shade structure

Please RSVP to Susan Porter

Skporter2010@gmail.com or 256-509-3339



**PRAIRIE VILLAGE
10th ANNUAL PROGRESSIVE
HOLIDAY PARTY**

Date: TBD by Hosting Homes

We are looking for 2 homes to host this year's party. The 1st home will host hors d'oeuvres and the 2nd home will host desserts. Rotating the homes each year makes the party more interesting to see others holiday décor. The host homes will provide drinks and the HOA will provide plates, napkins, silverware and glasses. Guests will bring either a dessert or hors d'oeuvres.

If you would like to open your home for the neighborhood Progressive Holiday party for this year or have any questions, contact Carol Hahn, 303-638-1989.

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ARCHITECTURAL CONTROL CHANGES. Most exterior changes to your home require Architectural Review approval. Please submit your requests (form available on PV website) to our Property Manager, Janet at PML for processing.

EVENT COMMITTEE: To volunteer to organize a neighborhood event, contact Susan Porter, skporter2010@gmail.com

THE CARING COOKS provide meals to PV residents who need help due to surgery, illness, or death in family. If you know of a need, please contact one of the following: Carol Erickson, 303-776-0864; Carol Hahn, 303-702-0704

CITY CODE ENFORCEMENT: 303-651-8695 or 303-651-8321: To report City Code violations such as weeds, trees, illegal parked vehicles, speeding or any other City Ordinance

NEIGHBORHOOD CONCERNS: Residents with neighborhood concerns should contact our Property Manager, Janet at PML 303-772-5891 or email janetpaul@pmlinc.net

NOTES FROM THE ANNUAL HOA MEETING

The following is a brief synopsis of the Annual meeting. The minutes will be posted on our website at a later date.

Thank you, Veraya Connors, for the wonderful refreshments that were provided at the meeting. (WOW!)

Quorum was met thanks to those attending the meeting and to the proxies that were turned in.

One position was open on the Board of Directors. Drew Kramer was voted in to fill that position. Thank you Aaron Buckner and Justin Stoeber for also running for this position. We hope you will serve in other capacities for the HOA and consider running again in the future. We would also like to thank Pearl Pinkham for her years of service on the Board. She has been a real asset to the community.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Architectural Review: Andrew Monnin is resigning due to work commitments. More committee members are needed. If you would like to serve on this committee, please contact Janet, our Property Manager or a Board of Director. Any changes to the exterior of your home/property should be sent via form to Janet at PML.

Social Committee: Susan Porter thanked the volunteers who helped with this year's events. She needs volunteers to step up and organize events for next year. She would like to see more events for next year but without volunteers, this won't happen. Contact Susan, skporter2010@gmail.com, for information on what events could be planned for next year – if there are volunteers.

Welcome Committee: Carol Erickson reported that we had 11 new residents this year. She announced that the current committee members have served for 3 years and will be retiring at the end of this year. Thank you, Carol, Ruth Lorenzetti, and Jan Baird for providing this service. If anyone is interested in taking over, please contact a Board member.

Communications: Carol Hahn reported that 8 newsletters were sent out this year plus numerous other reminders and notices. There are 188 email addresses representing 172 home addresses receiving the newsletters/notices by email. Newsletters are also posted on the bulletin boards and the HOA website, but not the notices. To be added to the email list, send your request, including your address to prairievillagehomeowners@gmail.com

NGLA: Drew Kramer reported that 9 park benches were added throughout the PV through the NGLA Grant Funds. The NGLA was instrumental in getting the City to decrease the percent of the proposed water rate increase due to the Windy Gap project. The NGLA is a City sponsored organization of Longmont HOAs. Our representatives to the group are Drew Kramer, Jim Hahn and Howard Ragin. Each year our HOA must vote on who will represent PV. It was voted for Drew, Jim and Howard to continue as our representatives. The meetings are held the 3rd Thursday of each month (except July/August) at 6:30 pm at the Senior Center on Longs Peak Ave. They are open to anyone who would like to attend.

Common Areas/Landscape Committee: This committee targets projects that need to be done in PV. This year, the pavilion/shade structure was added to Central Park. Per a survey results, the 2 east beds along Ute Hwy Trail will be redone next year. They are looking for feedback on what projects residents would like to see done. If you have an idea or suggestion, please contact a Board member, then the committee will look into it. The committee is in need of more members. If you would like to join this committee, please contact a Board member.

COMMUNITY UPDATE:

Upgrades to the sprinkler system and controllers have been made. The new controller has saved 15% in water. By decreasing watering along Ute Hwy trail, approximately \$5K was saved. If you see any problems with the sprinkler systems, please let PML know.

The pavilion is completed and was used for the annual picnic. A bulletin board has been installed with a reservation schedule. The pavilion is available for PV homeowners who pay dues to PML and can be reserved by using the forms provided in the bulletin board and also, on our website, then submitting to Janet at PML. HOA events have priority for use.

Snow removal contract has been awarded to Rock Solid. Snow will be removed when it reaches 4 inches in the alleys and 2 inches on sidewalks. Contact PML, our management company, if you have any questions. We have received an ok from the City to hire someone to clear the ice from the street gutters.

The Board is looking for feedback or suggestions on what to use the NGLA Grant money for. If you have an idea, submit your suggestions to PML, a Board member or to prairievillagehomeowners@gmail.com.

The Board of Directors voted to retain PML, Inc. as our management company.

Next Board of Directors meeting is scheduled for Monday, January 30, 2017 at 5:00 pm at PML office on South Main. The meetings are open to any resident who would like to attend.

UPDATE ON SURROUNDING PROPERTIES:

Alfalfa field, owned by Nectar Equities, is still in the development stage. Envision Longmont would like to see mixed density (multi family and single family). Plans are still being drawn up before submitting for rezoning.

The Housing Authority is waiting approval from Planning & Zoning on the design of the Fall River Senior housing complex. Construction isn't expected to start until 2018.

Plans for the 36 townhomes to be constructed south of Spring Creek Senior Housing was submitted to P&Z but returned for some changes. Plans have not been resubmitted with changes.

CAR STOLEN FROM LOCKED GARAGE

Last Saturday evening, a car was stolen out of a locked garage in our neighborhood. The garage was an alley-load garage. It was first believed that an electronic device was used to break the code but upon researching the internet, no such thing was found. It is believed the burglars used the '6 second trick' where they push the top of the garage door, creating a gap, then inserted a wire and hooked the safety release lever. This allows you to manually raise the door. If the keys are left in the car, the burglar just drives off.

To prevent this from happening, a small cable tie can be used to lock the safety release lever to the trolley. There are several Youtube videos that demonstrate several prevention methods. Just search 'Preventing Garage Door Break-ins' and 'Tips to Burglar-proof your Garage Door' and 'Break into a garage in six seconds Protection.' In addition, don't leave your keys in the car, even if you're parked in your locked garage. Especially if you have a house key attached to your key ring.

Burglaries seem to increase as the holidays approach. Please be extra cognizant of securing your home and vehicles. Let's not invite crime into our neighborhood.