

# Prairie Village Newsletter

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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](mailto: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](mailto: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](mailto: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](mailto: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 3<sup>rd</sup> 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](mailto: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.