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PRAIRIE VILLAGE (PV) HOA ANNUAL MEETING

The annual meeting was held on January 11, 2012. Minutes from the meeting can be found on the website: <http://prairieowners.com> If you have never accessed the website, you will have to obtain a password to view some of the pages with privileged information. Instructions for accessing the restricted pages are on the website.

Highlights from the meeting:

Bob Anderson ran unopposed and was re elected to the Board of Directors for a 3 year term. Congrats, Bob!

A short presentation about the committees within PV was given and as a result a number of residents have signed up to help with keeping PV a better place to live. If you would be interested in being an active part of the community, check out the website for a list of committees and social groups that are available. Thank you to those who have volunteered.

PARKED VEHICLES ON THE STREET:

There have been a number of complaints about vehicles that seem to be permanently parked on the streets of PV. The City, as well as PV, has an ordinance that states vehicles are not to be parked on city streets for longer than 72 hours. If you have such vehicles that are not being driven, please put them in your garage or rent a storage unit to keep them in. See Architectural Control Documents provided at your closing and on the Website.

TRASH CANS:

There have been complaints that trash cans are being left in the alleys. Please keep your trash cans behind your fence, out of visibility of your neighbors. See the Architectural Control Documents provided at your closing and on the Website.

SNOW REMOVAL

After the blizzard in February 3 & 4, there seems to be some misunderstanding to how snow removal is handled. In order to control the cost of snow removal, the Board on behalf of the HOA has opted to be on a lower priority level for snow removal and that the trigger depths are 2 inches for sidewalks and 6 inches for alleys. Hopefully this will clear up any confusion.

Sidewalks and Alleys

Common sidewalks (run parallel along the street) will be plowed by the HOA when the snow is 2 inches deep.

The sidewalks will not be plowed until after the snow stops, then following city ordinance, they will be cleared within 24 hours.

The sidewalks and steps leading to your porch are your responsibility to clear. If you are unable to do this, then you will need to contract someone to do this for you.

Alleys will be plowed by the HOA when the snow is 6 inches deep. Again, they will not be plowed until after the snow stops. They will be plowed within 24 hours after the snow stops.

Streets

The streets are maintained by the City of Longmont. Their policy (stated in the Longmont Times, 2/4, 2012) is not to plow residential streets unless the snow reaches 15 or more inches and then they will only be plowed after all the main thoroughfares are done.

If the vehicle you have is not able to negotiate the depth of the snow and you have an emergency, then you may want to consider calling 911.

Neighborhood Group Leaders Association Committee

By Michele Wooten

News from the NGLA meeting of January 19, 2012

Make Your Home or Business EnergySmart!

EnergySmart is available to all homes and businesses in Boulder County communities, including Longmont. The program is designed to locate the right products to go in your home or building, find a good contractor to get the work done and pay for efficiency upgrades in your home and business - without the hassle!

The process begins with an EnergySmart Assessment that normally costs \$120.00. Longmont residents will receive the discounted price of \$50.00 until March 31. An EnergySmart advisor will visit the home or business, evaluate it and develop an action plan based on potential savings and available incentive programs.

EnergySmart provides:

- A personal EnergySmart advisor
- Free energy-saving items
- Customized energy-saving recommendations
- Expert help with contractor selection and bid evaluation
- knowledgeable assistance with rebates and financing

Rebate amounts can total **up to \$1,000.00** lifetime maximum. You must be signed up in advance for an EnergySmart assessment before you can qualify for rebates. Funds are distributed until expended on a **first-come first-served basis**. The best time to receive rebates is within the first three months of the year as the rebate funds available begin to dwindle as the year progresses. Visit www.energysmartyes.com or call **303-544-1000** to learn more about the EnergySmart audit and the many energy home improvements that qualify for a rebate.