

# Prairie Village Newsletter

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## **MORE UNLOCKED CAR BREAK-INS**

More unlocked cars were entered and items stolen Friday night, January 3. As long as we keep making it profitable by leaving cars unlocked, these vandals will keep coming back and vandalizing our neighborhood. Now this is also affecting our real estate market. A pending sale in the neighborhood was canceled due to the vandalism that has been occurring here. The potential buyers deemed Prairie Village as unsafe. This is not a good sign for the value of our homes. If you are going to park vehicles on the street then PLEASE lock them. They have not been breaking into locked vehicles. I'm guessing the majority of the residents don't like having vandals in our neighborhood or seeing the value of their home go down because people are not locking their vehicles. Any ideas on how to get people to be more diligent in locking their cars? Perhaps we need to form a committee to address this problem.

## **MONTHLY BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING**

The next Board meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, January 15, 2014, 6:00 pm at the PML office on South Main Street. The board meetings are open for residents to attend and usually last until approx. 7:30 – 8:00 pm.

## **COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES/EVENTS**

During 2013, PV enjoyed a number of events thanks to the volunteers who stepped up to organize these: 2 garage sales, wine tasting, fall picnic, Halloween party, craft sale, holiday party. With the start of a new year, we have the potential for more of these events plus new ones. If there is an event, whether it's one we have had previously or a new one, that you would like to volunteer to chair, please contact Kristen Bason, [kbason1971@gmail.com](mailto:kbason1971@gmail.com), with your idea and she will work with you on the budget. Also, submit a flyer to [prairievillagehomeowners@gmail.com](mailto:prairievillagehomeowners@gmail.com) to be included in the newsletter. Flyers can also be posted on the bulletin boards.

## **WOMEN OF PRAIRIE VILLAGE**

Carol Erickson

To those of you who have a heart and are able to help others. I would like to start a group that could provide meals for those who have had surgery or who are unable to make meals because of health issues. I know I can't do this alone so I would like to see if there is enough interest to form a group that I could call upon when a request is made. We would, of course, take turns. If I see enough interest, I will set up a meeting to discuss further plans. You can call me at 303-776-0864 or email me at [carolmerickson@yahoo.com](mailto:carolmerickson@yahoo.com). Please respond by January 20. I pray God will lead you in what you should do.

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## PINYON PINE TREE DISEASE IN PV

Pinyon Needle Scale is a disease that is affecting all Pinyon Pine trees. The needles on the tree will turn yellow with black dots and shed. This is caused by an insect which can fly and infect other Pinyon trees. A systemic treatment can be done to save the tree. St. Vrain Tree Company can do the treatment for approximately \$70. It is recommended to have it done annually. If not treated the tree will eventually die.



## DOGS IN PRAIRIE VILLAGE



There have been complaints of dog waste not being picked up by dog owners along the sidewalks in people's yards and in the park areas. Newspaper bags work well for this. They fold up and easily fit in your pocket for easy access when needed and they are free. When the snow melts, the dog poop doesn't. Please pick up after your dog. If you would like to let your dog off leash, the City has provided a Dog Park 2 blocks directly south on 21<sup>st</sup> Ave, next to the playground, where you can let your dog off leash to exercise.



## DRIVER RUNS STOP SIGN CAUSES ACCIDENT



A driver failed to stop at the Stop sign on Canadian Crossing at Winding Dr. and hit an oncoming car. Fortunately, there were no injuries, just car damage. For everyone's safety, please obey the stop signs and the speed limit signs. Infractions can anonymously be reported to the Police Dept at: 303-651-8555.



## EASTER EGG HUNT



Time to spring forward and start planning the Prairie Village 1<sup>st</sup> Annual Easter Egg Hunt to be held on Saturday, April 19<sup>th</sup>, 10:30AM at the west end of Central Park. We need to form a committee of volunteers to make this happen... who's in? Contact Kristen at [kbason1971@gmail.com](mailto:kbason1971@gmail.com) to volunteer.

## **BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING**

Notes from the last BOD meeting:

- A Representative from an Irrigation Consulting firm gave a presentation of what needs to be done to fix the irrigation problems in Central Park.
- Repairs to the irrigation system and a top dressing is scheduled for Central Park in May
- A Financial Review is being performed on the 2013 books by a local firm
- The cement trucks that have been traveling down Winding Dr and Olympia have been diverted to the construction route of taking Alpine to Steppe. All construction traffic should be taking this route

The next Board meeting is scheduled for Monday, April 28, 2014, 6:00 pm at the PML office on South Main Street. The board meetings are open for residents to attend and usually last until approx. 7:30 – 8:00 pm.

### **CENTRAL PARK**

The PVBOD has spent the last 3 years restoring all the greenbelt areas and pocket parks to the condition they were meant to be. Trees have been replaced and irrigation systems have been reworked and repaired so that trees, shrubs and grass are properly watered. The only area left is Central Park. Central Park has a lot of maintenance deficiencies. The Board is currently working with a Consulting Firm on what needs to be done to bring the park back to a suitable condition. This involves redesigning the irrigation system so we don't have wet and dry areas and to insure trees and shrubs are properly watered. The irrigation project will save water and money. This work is scheduled to begin in May. The work has been delayed until May to allow time for residents to form a Central Park committee to compile a plan that will provide PV residents with a beautiful, yet functional neighborhood park. The Board is charged with maintaining and restoring the existing park. What they need from you is your ideas and your help planning what amenities you would like to see in the park. You would be participating in the design, budgeting, and selection of resources to create a functional neighborhood park that residents can use and enjoy. Funding is always a challenge, but hopefully, city grant money will be made available again to assist us with our vision. We need people with ideas and energy to help design and put it into motion. If you have ideas as to what amenities you would like to have in Central Park, this is your chance to be heard and make it happen. Send an email Pearl Pinkham an email at [pearlpinkham@live.com](mailto:pearlpinkham@live.com) or Chet Cotton at [chet\\_cotten@hotmail.com](mailto:chet_cotten@hotmail.com) to volunteer to participate.

### **PRAIRIE VILLAGE NEWSLETTER**

Want to know what is going on in our community? Have you seen our very informative Prairie Village Newsletter? No? The Prairie Village Newsletter is distributed by email and posted on the bulletin boards. It contains news and social events going on in our neighborhood. If you want to know what events are coming up and keep informed on what is going on in our community send an email to [prairievillagehomeowners@gmail.com](mailto:prairievillagehomeowners@gmail.com). Carol Hahn will put your name on the confidential distribution list so you get the colorful newsletter each time it is sent out. Your email address will be kept confidential and will not be distributed to anyone for any other purposes. If you don't want to receive the newsletter by email you can also get it at the bulletin boards or look at it on line on the HOA website, [www.prairievillageowners.com](http://www.prairievillageowners.com)



## PV SOCIAL GROUPS

Prairie Village has a number of groups where neighbors gather for fun, games, or exercise. If you see a group that interests you and would like more information or to join one, send the contact person an email for more specifics. If you do not see a group that interests you and would like to form one, sent me an email at [prairievillagehomeowners@gmail.com](mailto:prairievillagehomeowners@gmail.com) and I will send out a notice to see if anyone else would like to join you.

DINNER GROUP (3<sup>rd</sup> Saturday 5 months/year)

Jan DiPaolo [bossyjan@comcast.net](mailto:bossyjan@comcast.net)

LADIES BUNKO (2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday evening each month) Has an opening for a player

Ruth Lorenzetti [a.ruth@comcast.net](mailto:a.ruth@comcast.net)

MEXICAN TRAIN DOMINOES (3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday evening each month) Need more players

Wes and Margie Stamp [wesstamp@comcast.net](mailto:wesstamp@comcast.net)

MEN'S POKER (2<sup>nd</sup> Wednesday evening each month)

Mike Lorenzetti [mike.lorenzetti@comcast.net](mailto:mike.lorenzetti@comcast.net)

WALKING

Marcia Hayes [marciahayes@hotmail.com](mailto:marciahayes@hotmail.com)

JOGGING

David Hayes [marciahayes@hotmail.com](mailto:marciahayes@hotmail.com)

BOOK CLUB (Last Thursday evening each month)

Mike Lorenzetti [mike.lorenzetti@comcast.net](mailto:mike.lorenzetti@comcast.net)

BRIDGE

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## **BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING**

Notes from the last BOD meeting:

- Representatives from the Longmont Housing Authority (LHA) were present to discuss the plans for development of the 2 lots designated for low income Senior Housing. Very preliminary plans were presented to the Board. One 60-unit building will be built on each lot. Renderings for a 2-story, 3-story and 4-story were presented. The consensus is that either a 3 or 4-story building would be preferable as the footprint on the lot would be much smaller. Ground breaking of the 1<sup>st</sup> building, on the northeast lot, is expected to take place Spring, 2015 with completion Summer 2016. The 2<sup>nd</sup> building will begin after that with a projection of complete build out by 2019-2020. Each building will consist of approx. 50 1-bedroom and 10 2-bedroom apartments with additional meeting/common area rooms. Occupants of the apartments would be 55+. Parking will be provided on the property for residents and visitors. Landscaping with an outdoor common area is also included. The architecture will blend with the already existing homes. Other communities that the LHA have developed are: The Hearthstone, 1762 Cook Court, The Lodge at Hover Crossing, 2027 18<sup>th</sup> Ave., Village Place, 600 Coffman St. You are encouraged to drive by these or even stop in to get an idea of these communities. The LHA will be scheduling a General Meeting for Prairie Village residents the end of May or beginning of June to present the final architectural drawings and to answer any questions. You will be notified when this has been scheduled.
- An Arborist will be doing an inventory of trees and providing suggestions for replacements in the park areas.
- The Canadian Crossing Park at the west end will be restored with drainage improvements and tree replacement
- Signage for construction traffic to take Alpine to Steppe to Canadian Crossing was discussed and approved. Some construction traffic may occasionally still use Winding Dr & Olympia for directional purposes for delivery. This should be minimal.
- NGLA Neighborhood Activity Grant money has been approved for this year. If you have an idea for a neighborhood event that you would like to organize, contact Kristen Bason, to coordinate financing.
- If you have a cracked recycle lid on your recycle bin, call 303-651-8416 to have it replaced. It seems the City received a batch of bad plastic lids.

The next Board meeting is TBD and will be announced when scheduled. The board meetings are open for residents to attend and usually last until approx. 7:30 – 8:00 pm.

## **CENTRAL PARK**

Ken DiPaolo, HydroSystems, has been hired to do a study of what needs to be done to the irrigation system in Central Park to make it more efficient.

More bids are being solicited for the Playground equipment at Central Park.

A survey is being scheduled to determine the best placement of a soccer field.

The improvements to Central Park are being pursued by residents who have an interest in seeing these amenities added. If there is something you would like to see in Central Park, you can join the Central Park committee by contacting Pearl Pinkham, [pearlpinkham@live.com](mailto:pearlpinkham@live.com) or Chet Cotton at [chet\\_cotten@hotmail.com](mailto:chet_cotten@hotmail.com) to volunteer to participate.

## **BULLETIN BOARDS**

The bulletin boards by the mailboxes have been provided by the HOA for community communication. The left side is for communication by the Board and is locked. The right side, with the handle on the door, is unlocked at all times and available for residents to post lost & found, help wanted, services offered, items for sale, and any other community information of interest to residents. Lately, there have been notices ‘taped’ to the outside of the door. Anything posted outside will be removed. Tape will eventually destroy the plexiglass in the weather, and notices will blow away and litter our community. Let’s keep the bulletin boards and the community looking nice by placing notices inside. Some push pins are provided. If there are not enough, you are welcome to bring your own.

## **SAFETY TIPS – WHAT TO TAKE TO BED WITH YOU**

Fred LaCount

Put your car keys beside your bed at night. If you hear a noise outside your home or someone trying to get in your house, just press the panic button for your car. The alarm will be set off, and the horn will continue to sound until either you turn it off or the car battery dies.

This tip came from a neighborhood watch coordinator. Next time you come home for the night and you start to put your keys away, think of this: It’s a security alarm system that you probably already have and requires no installation. It will go off from most everywhere inside your house and will keep honking until your battery runs down or until you reset it with the button on the key fob. It works if you park in your driveway or garage.

If your car alarm goes off when someone is trying to break into your house, odds are the burglar/rapist won’t stick around. After a few seconds, all the neighbors will be looking out their windows to see who is out there. Also, remember to carry your keys while walking to your car in a parking lot. The alarm can work the same way there. This is something that should be shared with everyone. Maybe it could save a life or a sexual abuse crime.

## **THANK YOU CARING COOKS**

Carol Hahn

Jim and I would like to thank the PV Caring Cooks for providing meals during my recent surgery. The meals were a tremendous help during the first few days following surgery and very delicious. We have some excellent cooks and people who are eager to help in the neighborhood.

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## CENTRAL PARK COMMITTEE

We are working on a Master Plan for future uses of Central Park. The Committee is looking for neighbors to lend their ideas. If you are interested in being a part of the planning, please email, Pearl Pinkham, [pearlpinkham@live.com](mailto:pearlpinkham@live.com) with your name and phone/email with subject Central Park.

## PLAYGROUND COMMITTEE

The Committee is looking for neighbors to help with planning for a proposed playground in Central Park. If you are interested in being a part of this planning, please email Antonio Mendes, [almmendes@hotmail.com](mailto:almmendes@hotmail.com) with your name and phone/email with Playground as the subject.

## FROM THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS

**Construction Traffic:** We are working with DR Horton to put Construction Traffic signs up guiding trucks around the neighborhood on Alpine, Steppe and Canadian Crossing. Complaints about construction traffic inside neighborhood should go to Janet Paul, PML, so she can pass the info on to DR Horton. If Horton does not resolve the problem quickly, we will install our own construction signs..

**Trees and Shrubs:** City Ordinance requires all tree branches to be trimmed 8 ft above sidewalks and 15 ft above streets. Please check your trees to be sure they meet this height requirement for everyone's safety.

**Yellow Maple Trees:** If your Maple tree is yellow, it needs to be treated with chelated iron. If not treated, it will die and will need to be removed ASAP. PML will issue violations for dead trees. This is what an untreated

tree looks like.



**Architectural Control:** Covenants require homeowners to prepare and submit Architectural Change Request (found on the website) for approval for changes to house color, changes and additions to fencing, exterior additions to homes and construction of new structures such as garden sheds. Projects started without

Architectural Control Committee approval will be requested to stop pending approval. If the request is denied, the ACC will work with the homeowner to resolve the issues. If the homeowner persists, they are subject to a violation and can be required to undo the changes. The request form should be submitted to Janet at PML

**Dog Poop:** Some people bag their dog's poop and then leave the bag along the trail/street. They probably planned to come back and retrieve it and forgot. If you see a poop bag when you are walking (if it's not messy) please pick it up and dispose of it properly.

**Overgrown Grasses and Weeds** should be reported to Longmont Code Control (303-651-8695) who will review the issue and contact the property owner for remediation.

**BOD Meeting:** The next meeting in June is yet to be determined. The discussion will be the park areas. An email will be sent when the date has been set. We are waiting for additional information.

## **COMMENTS FROM YOUR NEIGHBORS**

**Children in Alleys:** We have received several complaints of children playing in the alleys. For their safety, please use the many park areas in our community. The alleys need to be treated just like streets. They are for vehicles to use. People cannot see children when they are backing out of their garages. Please keep the alleys clear of toys and sports equipment.

**Dogs off leash:** We are continuing to receive complaints of dogs not on leash. Residents do not appreciate strange dogs running through their yards leaving deposits or coming up on their porches. When walking your dogs, please keep them on a leash. It's the law!! If your dog approaches another dog that is on a leash, the results may not be pleasant. Not all people want to be approached by a strange dog.

## **MOUNTAIN LION SIGHTED IN NEIGHBORHOOD**

Approximately 2 weeks ago, a mountain lion was seen in Prairie Village. This is not the first time. Please keep this in mind when letting your cats and dogs run loose. We live in an area where wildlife do come through.

## **UPCOMING EVENTS**

By Kristen Bason

### **PRAIRIE VILLAGE NEIGHBORHOOD YARD SALE SATURDAY, JUNE 7 8 am to 1 pm**

A neighborhood yard sale is being organized for Saturday, June 7 from 8 am to 1 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.

## **JULY 4<sup>TH</sup> BIKE PARADE**

**WHEN: July 4, 10 am to 10:30 am      WHERE: Central Park**

Decorate your bike (and yourself) with red, white, and blue! We'll meet at Central Park and then have a fun group ride through the neighborhood. Not a bike person, not problem! Join in by sitting on your front porch and wave as we go by.



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## SENIOR HOUSING

A neighborhood meeting was held on Thursday, Aug. 14. Michael Reese, Director of LHA and Joe Vigil, Boulder Design presided over the meeting with other Board members from LHA present. The 2 lots at Steppe and Homestead Prkwy were designated for affordable Senior housing by the Developer, Lon L'Heureux, during the initial development in 2001. In 2006, the lots were donated to the Longmont Housing Association (LHA). Renderings were presented along with a slide show of the design of the buildings and landscaping. The development will be called Spring Creek at Prairie Village.

Each lot will contain a 3-story, L-shaped building with 60 units in each building. The buildings will sit 30 ft in from the street and will have tree-lined boulevards. The perimeter of each lot will be well landscaped with various workout areas that the public can utilize. Each building will have 62 parking spaces. The buildings will be a nice blend of brown, cream and blue. The materials used will be stucco, stone, and wood lapsiding. There will be 52 one bedroom apts (approx 600 sq ft) and 8 two bedroom apts (approx 800 sq ft). Residents must be 55 and older with a maximum income of \$30K/yr. He stated that the median age in these communities ranges from mid 60s and up. Each building will have a gym on the 3<sup>rd</sup> floor for the residents and a community room on the 2<sup>nd</sup> floor for residents and will also be available for public use. (Could be a good place for our annual meetings)

The first building will be on the southeast lot. Time frame for the 1<sup>st</sup> building: final PUD will be submitted Sept. 2014, get final PUD approval March 2015, start construction April 2015 with completion March 30, 2016. Construction of the 2<sup>nd</sup> building on the southwest lot will follow after the completion of Building 1.

## OLYMPIA

The barricades have been removed. Olympia to 21<sup>st</sup> Street has finally been opened for public use. Please be considerate of fellow residents by sticking to the 25 MPH speed limit when driving through the neighborhood. 35 to 45 mph is NOT acceptable in the neighborhood. Especially with visibility restricted with all the cars parked on the streets.

## **TREES AND SHRUBS**

City Ordinance requires all tree branches to be trimmed 8 ft above sidewalks and 15 ft above streets. A number of trees in the neighborhood do not meet these requirements. Low hanging branches can be a hazard to people walking on the sidewalks and bicyclists in the streets. Also, restricts visibility for law enforcement for any criminal activity. For the safety and security of our neighborhood, please check your trees along the sidewalks and street. If you notice trees not meeting these requirements, especially along the fields, you can call Code Enforcement at 303-651-8695 to report them. The City will notify the owners to have them trimmed.

## **COMMUNITY EMERGENCY RESPONSE TEAM (CERT) TRAINING**

**5 SESSIONS**

**THURS, AUG. 28, SEPT. 4 & 25, OCT. 2 & 9**

**6 PM TO 9 PM**

**LONGMONT SAFETY & JUSTICE CENTER**

Disasters can severely restrict and overwhelm emergency responders and in some cases, like a flood, it can leave communities cut off from outside emergency support. CERT training empowers community members by teaching them how to prepare for and survive hazards. Team members are trained to take care of themselves and to help others in their communities until first responders arrive.

To register to volunteer, visit [www.ci.longmont.co.us/emergency](http://www.ci.longmont.co.us/emergency) or call the Office of Emergency Management at 303-651-8438.

Classes are provided by the Longmont Dept. of Public Safety in partnership with the North Central Region Citizen Corps Council.

## **UPCOMING EVENTS**

By Kristen Bason

### **OUTDOOR MOVIE NIGHT**

Time to plan Outdoor Movie Night! Summer is quickly coming to an end, and if we want this event to happen, we need help.

No Volunteers = No Event

Shooting for Sat., Sept 6<sup>th</sup>, 13<sup>th</sup>, or 20<sup>th</sup>. Hopefully, one of those dates will work best for the majority. We have money in the budget for this event, so let's try to make it happen. Who's in? We can rent a projector and a screen but if anyone has these and wouldn't mind sharing for the evening, that would be great.

Contact Kristen ASAP at [kbason1971@gmail.com](mailto:kbason1971@gmail.com) if you can volunteer your time or any AV equipment.

### **ANNUAL PICNIC**

This event is usually held in September in the park at Canadian Crossing and Olympia. We need someone to organize this year's event. It is pot luck with the Association providing the paper goods. If you would like to plan this event for the community, please contact Kristen Bason at [kbason1971@gmail.com](mailto:kbason1971@gmail.com)

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## **FROM THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

Topics discussed at the Board meeting:

### **Homeowner Issues:**

Trash cans in alleyways: General complaints have been received of trash cans stored in alleyways. If a homeowner has a specific issue with a specific homeowner, please call our Property Manager, Janet, at PML.

### **Trees:**

The dead trees along the Hwy 66 green space will be replaced.

An Arborist has been hired to trim the trees in the common areas along sidewalks and streets to meet City Code. Trees must be trimmed to a height of 8 feet above sidewalks and 15 feet above streets.

### **Snow:**

With snow season approaching, a reminder that sidewalks will be plowed when depth reaches 2 inches and alleys will be plowed when depth reaches 4 inches. Streets are the City's responsibility. Olympia is the only street in PV that gets plowed.

## **PRAIRIE VILLAGE HOMEOWNERS ANNUAL MEETING**

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 20, 2014 at 7:00 pm  
Fire Station #3, 1000 Pace St.

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## **NEXT BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING**

The next BOD meeting is Monday, October 13, 6:30 pm at the PML office. The meetings are open for residents to attend.

### **PV Annual Picnic**

The picnic is planned for **Sunday, September 28<sup>th</sup> from 3-6pm**. It is pot luck with the Association providing the paper goods. More information to follow. If you would like to help plan this event for the community, please contact Helen Glynn at [helenglynn@gmail.com](mailto:helenglynn@gmail.com).

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## **Prairie Village HOA**

### **2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Kids Pizza Party and**

# **Halloween**

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**When: 5:00 pm October 31**

**Where: Central park on Pepler & Windmill**

**Please RSVP to Susan Porter at**

**Skporter2010@gmail.com**

**256-509-3339**

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## **FROM THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

Topics discussed at the Board meeting 10/13/14:

### **Fiber Optics for PV:**

PV is scheduled for Phase 4 for install of the citywide Fiber Optics. This will occur the 1<sup>st</sup> Qtr of 2016. A special charter member rate of \$49.95/mo lifetime (a \$50/mo savings) will be available if you sign up within 3 months of service availability. You will receive 1 GBPS upload/1 GBPS download. If you are interested in Fiber Optics, you can call 303-651-8386 to be put on the list. If enough people are interested, this could speed up the availability in our area. A flyer will be posted on the bulletin boards.

### **Financial:**

The budget for 2015 was discussed and will be presented at the Annual meeting.

The CPA has finished the review of the 2013 HOA financials and is available on the Website along with all financial updates

### **Central Park:**

The work is completed. The irrigation pipe has been enlarged, an air card was installed on the sprinkler clock and a top dressing applied. The total for the project came to \$41,662.

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# TRAINING FOR LONGMONT HOME OWNERS ASSOCIATIONS FOR BOARD MEMBERS, HOA MEMBERS, INTERESTED RESIDENTS

Presented by City of Longmont Staff

NOVEMBER 6, 2014, 7 PM, PLEASE RSVP TO 303-651-8444  
LONGMONT SENIOR CENTER, 910 LONGS PEAK AVE. ROOM D & e

Learn how HOAs are formed in Longmont  
Find out the documents an HOA must have and how the City can help you get them  
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Have your questions answered by informed City staff

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**9775 UTE HIGHWAY (HWY 66)**  
**Between Rte 287 and Hover Rd.**

### **Clarification on Proxies**

The formal meeting notice and proxy have been mailed. There seems to be some confusion on filling out the proxy. For those residents who are attending the meeting, ballots will be used at the meeting for voting.

For those who are not planning to attend, please fill out your proxy as every vote is important. You can assign someone to vote on your behalf for any matters that come up by filling in the line of who you want to designate as your representative. If you are just using the proxy to vote for one of the candidates for board member, fill in your name, address, sign the proxy and write the name of the candidate, for board member (ex: John Doe for Board Member) on the bottom of the proxy.

There are 3 options for submitting your proxy:

1. Mail or drop off at PML, 1155 S. Main St, by Nov. 20.
2. Give to someone who is attending the meeting
3. A proxy box has been provided by Mark Payler. It is located at Jim & Carol Hahn's house, 2450 Winding Dr. It is strapped to the downspout by the front porch, next to the bear. Carol will deliver the proxies to PML prior to the meeting. Envelopes are provided in the box if you would like to place your ballot in an envelope and seal it.

**Remember – only 1 vote per address.**

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## **NOTES FROM THE HOMEOWNERS ANNUAL MEETING**

The draft of the Annual minutes will be included in the year end mailing sent out in December. Approximately 38 residents attended and 56 proxies were received so a quorum was met! Great Job PV!

### **BOARD OF DIRECTORS ELECTION**

Ted Broers and Antonio Mendes withdrew their candidacy from the election prior to the meeting and Bob Anderson announced his retirement from the Board during the Annual Meeting. Mark Payler is now our new President. Thank you, Bob, for your 4 years of hard work and dedication to making PV an improved place to live.

### **PRESIDENT'S REPORT**

- No litigations this year.
- Audit of the books was performed and nothing was found to be out of order.
- Dues are being reduced by \$5/month. They will now be \$55/month starting January 1, 2015.
- Our responsibility of maintenance for common areas has been reduced from 19 acres to 10 acres. In addition, we no longer maintain the perimeter around the alfalfa field. That has been turned over to the owner of that land.
- DR Horton is starting 2 new homes per week in Prairie Village South.

### **TREASURE'S REPORT**

The budget as published and approved by the BOD at their last meeting was accepted by those in attendance.

### **ARCHITECTURAL CONTROL COMMITTEE – DAVE MADISON**

(Waiting for some info from Dave)

Editor's note: Dave is stepping down as chairperson. His replacement will be announced at a later date. Thank you, Dave, for all your commitment on this committee.

### **LANDSCAPING/Common Areas – Bob Anderson**

Central Park will be reseeded where needed.

Dead trees along Hwy 66 will be replaced in the spring under warranty by Rock Solid.



Beds in Central Park will be rebuilt  
Full report will be posted on our website

### **WELCOMING COMMITTEE**

There were 20 new homeowners to the neighborhood this year

### **SOCIAL & ACTIVITIES COMMITTEE – SUSAN PORTER**

Events held this year were: 4<sup>th</sup> of July Parade, Easter Egg Hunt, Garage Sale, Halloween Party, Ice Cream Social. Coming events: Pizza Party in December and for next year; Easter Egg Hunt and a Movie Night. Kristen Bason stepped down as coordinator and Helen Glynn has taken over. Kristen was thanked for her hard work in getting this committee up and running. To make events happen, we need volunteers to take ownership of events that interest them. To volunteer with your event ideas and help, contact [Helenglynn@gmail.com](mailto:Helenglynn@gmail.com)

### **CARING COOKS – CAROL HAHN**

Carol Erickson is the chair and founder of this committee. The purpose is to help families in PV who temporarily need meals due to: illness, surgery, medical problems, death in the family. This past year 6 families were provided for, for a total of about 40 meals. We currently have 15 volunteers. If you would like to volunteer in this group, please contact Carol Erickson at 303-776-0864

### **COMMUNICATIONS – CAROL HAHN**

So far, 13 newsletters have been published this year. They are published when there is news. Residents are encouraged to submit articles that would be of interest to PV residents. If you know of someone who is not getting the newsletter via email, please encourage them to submit their email address to: [prairievillagehomeowners@gmail.com](mailto:prairievillagehomeowners@gmail.com).

I also put postings on the left side of the bulletin boards of HOA news. The right side is unlocked and for residents to post any news specific to PV such as; items for sale, lost & found, services you may offer/home businesses. Please do not tape postings on the outside of the bulletin boards or on the mailboxes.

### **PLAYGROUND – ANTONIO MENDES**

3 bids were obtained ranging from \$25k to \$35k. This is for playground equipment, swings, and benches. The committee is now waiting for the next step.

### **NGLA (Neighborhood Group Leaders Assoc.) – DREW KRAMER**

This is a city sponsored organization. 60 neighborhoods are represented at NGLA of which less than half are HOAs. NGLA offers a grant program which provides monies to neighborhoods to use for improvement projects. HOAs have first right to these grants but must meet certain criteria which includes meeting attendance. We have 2 Reps who attend for PV, Drew Kramer and Jim Hahn. Each meeting is based on a subject of interest to running a neighborhood. Meetings are held the 3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday of the month at 7 pm at the Senior Center and are open to anyone who wants to attend. Seminars are also put on 6 times a year on subjects of interest to residents and are free to the public. Approx 80 to 100 people usually attend. These are announced in the newsletter and our bulletin boards.

Pearl Pinkham reported on the Grant Program. It was cancelled last year due to the floods. We are eligible to receive \$6,000 to put towards the neighborhood. We must match these funds with \$3,500 either from in kind or budget. This year's grant intent that was submitted is to install 6 trees in Central Park, and 2 park benches and 3 dog stations to be placed around the neighborhood. The intent has been approved and now the formal application will need to be completed and submitted for review and approval by the NGLA and City. We need residents who are interested in the Grant Program to participate in the Grant committee to submit ideas and do the required paperwork for the NGLA to obtain this money. Contact Pearl if you are interested in participating.

### **HOMEOWNER MOTIONS**

A resident expressed concern about the hazardous condition of our streets in bad weather. Intersections are icy and hazardous and stop signs are ignored. Trucks and cars are not stopping at stop signs!! There have been several accidents in the subdivision because of this. The City is responsible for maintaining our streets

but currently the only street they plow is Olympia as they consider it to be a major artery. A motion was made for the Board and PML to research options and pricing for addressing the snow and ice on the City streets. In the meantime, it was mentioned that residents can contact the City with complaints by calling 303-776-6050 and asking for the Street Dept. The more calls they receive the more likely they will take action. So, when it snows, call. Hopefully we could get put on a regular plowing schedule and not have to have it come out of our budget. You might state that due to all the construction traffic and additional DR Horton customer traffic, we need our streets plowed to be safe. Please Call!!

Another concern was why directional construction signs have not been placed on Alpine. DR Horton has stated they have no intentions of installing directional signs for the construction traffic. The Board decided on the size and description of the signs and approval installing signs for a cost not to exceed \$500. The bid for these specific signs was closer to \$1,500 at which the Board decided to put this on hold. The Board has changed the specifications of the signs and has asked PML to get a new bid for signs

## **NOTES FROM THE BOD MEETING FOLLOWING THE ANNUAL MEETING**

The next BOD meeting is scheduled for Thursday, January 22, 2015, 6:00pm at the PML Office, 1155 S. Main. These meetings are open for residents to attend. As additional dates are scheduled they will be put in the newsletter and posted on the HOA website.

### **UPCOMING EVENTS**

Christmas Caroling has been cancelled due to lack of volunteers.

The Holiday Progressive Party is on. See attached flyer for more information.

### **PV COMMITTEES**

A great deal of progress has been made, actions have been set in motion by which we've seen immediate results. A lot of this is due to the volunteers who have stepped up and lent a great deal of support to making things happen in the neighborhood. If you have a little bit of time to become involved in neighborhood projects, please contact a Board member or the current committee chairperson.

Common Area Landscape Committee – Bob Anderson, [ripanderson@gmail.com](mailto:ripanderson@gmail.com)  
Neighborhood Greeters Committee – Ruth Lorenzetti, Chairman [a.ruth@comcast.net](mailto:a.ruth@comcast.net)  
Events Committee – Helen Glynn, [helenglynn@gmail.com](mailto:helenglynn@gmail.com)  
Caring Cooks – Carol Erickson, [carolericlsonm@gmail.com](mailto:carolericlsonm@gmail.com)  
Architectural Review Committee - TBD  
Playground Committee – Antonio Mendes, [almmendes@hotmail.com](mailto:almmendes@hotmail.com)  
Bylaws & Declarations Review – Drew Kramer, [adrewhaus@aol.com](mailto:adrewhaus@aol.com)

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If you are interested in participating in the community but don't want to serve a 3-year term on the Board, there are several committees you can be a part of. Committee sign-up sheets will be available at the Annual Meeting.

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#### **Bob Anderson**

My name is Bob Anderson; I live at 2358 Windmill Drive with my wife Sue. My dog Daisy, a golden doodle, and I walk thru the neighborhood almost every day. We enjoy meeting our neighbors and talking with you about Prairie Village. I try to incorporate your ideas and critiques into my own thinking. I also look for problems in our common areas.

I have been on the BOD for 4 years. It has been a very busy 4 years. We spent the first year getting control of our costs, reducing water use and postponing most maintenance other than mowing the Commons. Fortunately we ended the first year with a small reserve.

The next 3 years we successfully negotiated with DR Horton for back assessments on the 36 lots they bought from Mr. L'Heureux. We resolved the funding shortfall for long term maintenance of the Paired and Patio Homes on Steppe Drive. We negotiated turnover of the Rough and Ready Trail to Longmont Parks and Recreation. We negotiated turnover of perpetual maintenance of the Rough and Ready Greenway to DR Horton and their new HOA. We negotiated back assessments when the 8 lots on Steppe Dr. were sold. We negotiated with Citizens Bank to take responsibility for maintenance of their property along Alpine, Olympia and Canadian Crossing, reducing our water and turf mowing costs by about \$5k per year.

As many of you remember when we took over PVOA from Mr. L'Heureux our Common Areas were in very bad shape: many dead and dying trees and shrubs, little or no maintenance of shrub beds for several years, no tree trimming, and minimal maintenance of our irrigation system. Our water bills were way too high - well over \$30K. I analyzed our water records and found ways to reduce our water costs without damaging the commons.

In 2012 I formed a landscape committee. We inventoried every pocket park and both greenways. Almost every shrub bed had to be rebuilt. And many trees were either dead or dying because mowers hit the trees and damaged their trunks. We developed a vision we called Restoration and Improvement. The goal was to restore the common areas to better than their original condition. The second goal was to reduce our future maintenance and water costs. For example bark mulch should be turned every 2 years and replaced every 4 or 5 years. Replacing bark mulch with rock mulch eliminates those costs and it always looks good. We installed large tree rings and drip irrigation around trees so we could cut back on sprinkling. Many replacement trees are planted in drip irrigated shrub beds to protect them from the mowers.

We've tried to keep the turf in Central Park green by irrigating more. It doesn't work. Our irrigation consultant said the system needed to be rebuilt. He redesigned it. Last year we rebuilt it. Concurrently we seeded and top dressed the worst turf areas, although there are still some trenches with bare spots, over the next couple of years the turf in the Park will look better and better. For the many Park users it will be easier to walk and play on. And it should require less water.

I am retired. I have time and energy. I have learned a lot about PVOA and its operation. I would like the opportunity to share my knowledge with other BOD members and complete the Restoration and Improvement Vision. I would be honored to serve another term on the Board.

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#### **Ted Broers**

My wife and I bought our home in PV in 2004 at a time when much of Phase 1 was a construction zone. We have been here to see the changes, progression and expansion of PV and expect to remain in PV for some time to come. We are retired and enjoy the Colorado lifestyle. I retired from corporate left with over 35 years of business experience after holding a wide range of roles and responsibilities. Through my position as General Manager of a Joint Venture company located in Shanghai, PRC I have met the leadership challenges presented by an international, cross cultural business environment. I have also experience board room leadership challenges while serving on the BoD of a private semiconductor company. Additionally, during my tenure in Corporate Business Development, I have been engaged in a broad range of experiences with international strategic alliances, cross cultural joint ventures, mergers & acquisitions, divestitures, and IP licensing. As an Investment Banker I have experience advising middle market technology companies with positions, attracting buyers and structuring deals.

#### **Antonio Mendes**

I have an aeronautical/aerospace engineering master's degree which has provided excellent background for the fast paced creative job in which I am employed. Methodical planning and solid execution has provided excellent training for dealing with a myriad of situations, demanding clients and a large production workforce. I know that I can be a positive influence on the Board of Directors and in our community.

#### **Mark A. Payler**

Mark A. Payler has served on a number of boards in a variety of settings including most recently the Fort Lupton Community Foundation and the Fort Lupton Development Corporation. Mr. Payler has also served on the Board of Directors of Powell Technology, LLC and as CEO and President of Vision West, LLC. Mark was chairman of the Park County School Board in Powell, WY from 1998 to 2001. In addition, Mr. Payler served as Superintendent of Schools in Wray, CO as well as most recently in Weld County School District Re-8. Mark voluntarily stepped down from the superintendent role after 10 years of service in Weld Re-8 and having achieved the goal of increasing student achievement within the district, as accredited by the Colorado Department of Education, as well as completing over \$16 million in construction projects during the past year. Currently Mr. Payer is serving as Transitional/Special Project Coordinator for Weld County School District Re-8. Mark also served as President of the Fort Lupton Chamber of Commerce from 1998 -2001.

Mr. Payler has a BFA degree from Ohio University, a MEd degree from Lesley Collage (now University) and a Educational Leadership Certificate from the University of Wyoming and recently completed coursework in the Darden School of Business at the University of Virginia in Turnaround Leadership. Mr. Payler has over 17 years of teaching experience at the high school and community college levels.

Mark is married to his wife Cindy and has two grown children, Michelle (Brooklyn, NY) and Kelsey (Lawton, OK). Mr. Payler is active in the St Vrain Photography Society and has interest in the visual and performing arts, jazz music and travel.