



Eagle Lake Homeowners Association

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Eagle Lake Homeowners Association Annual Meeting

Sunday, October 19, 2014

7:30 PM

(Location to be determined)

The meeting is on Sunday to allow more homeowners to attend.

Mark your calendar now. This is your opportunity to share your concerns and questions with the Board. Official notice of the meeting will be mailed to you 30 days prior to the annual meeting.

Should you run for your HOA's board?



If you answer “yes” to these questions, running for your HOA’s board may be for you!

Thinking of running for your homeowners association (HOA) board? Board members have a number of roles and responsibilities, with the main goal of maintaining and increasing a community’s value. Before raising your hand for consideration during the next board member election, think through and answer these five questions.

Do I want to better my community and help however I can? The best board members are those who truly want to give back and help their association. While it’s admirable to want to fix one particular issue facing your community, it’s important to keep in mind that as a board member your job is to serve everyone in your community and abide by their collective voice.

Do I have a special skill that would benefit my community? Perhaps you’re an accountant or engineer or a whiz at recruiting volunteers. If you have a specialized skill you feel could help your HOA’s board and want to volunteer your time, consider running.

Do I have the time? Depending on the size of your community, you could expect to spend one to many hours each month on board activities—whether that’s attending meetings, writing up minutes, preparing communications or researching projects and costs.

Am I willing to deal with a range of personalities? Because you’ll need to. Your community’s members have a variety of ideas, temperaments and personal styles. Do you have the patience and people skills to deal with angry owners, those who track you down at every turn, or those with well-meaning but impracticable ideas? Only you know your temperament best.

Do I need to be recognized for my time and work? Being part of your HOA’s board is often a thankless job. It’s rare to even receive a slap on the back for your time and efforts. If you need special recognition for your work, being a board member may not be right for you. If you have the motivation and drive to help improve your community and serve those who live in it, then consider running for your HOA’s board. Still unsure?

Contact any Board member for more information on serving on the Eagle Lake Homeowners Board of Directors.

July 14, 2014

<http://www.neighborhoodlink.com/article/Association/Should-You-Run-For-Your-HOA-Board>

STORM WATER MAINTENANCE

The Board has moved forward with the request to have our storm water maintenance handled by the city. The city will be inspecting the system and will be sending every homeowner in our association a letter explaining the move and the additional monthly fee of \$3.65.

SIGNS

The following quote is from the DECLARATION OF COVENANTS, CONDITIONS, AND RESTRICTIONS FOR EAGLE LAKE Article 3, Section 6:

“No sign of any kind shall be displayed to the public view on a Lot except one professional sign of not more than six (6) square feet, advertising the Lot for sale, or signs used by the builder to advertise the Lot during the construction and sale period.”

ALL SIGNS ARE PROHIBITED EXCEPT THE FOLLOWING

POLITICAL SIGNS

Political signs can be placed on the lawn in front of your house prior to the election. They should be removed within 2 days after the election. Political signs cannot be placed in the parkway.

FOR SALE SIGNS / OPEN HOUSE SIGNS

FOR SALE SIGNS placed on the lawn in front of the house but not on the lawn divider between the sidewalk and the street. **OPEN HOUSE** signs may be placed at the entrance to Eagle Lake ONLY on the day of the open house and the day prior. *Signs that do not meet this requirement will be removed.*

CONTRACTOR SIGNS

When a contractor is performing work at your home, they are permitted to place **one sign in front of the house while the work is underway**. Signs must be placed on the lawn and must be removed when the work is completed.

ROADWAY RESTRICTIONS

- ◆ Do not park in front of the mailboxes. Mail may not be delivered if the mailboxes are blocked.
- ◆ Be sure cars/trucks **do not block the public sidewalk** when parked in the driveway. This is a violation.
- ◆ If parking on both sides of the street (especially on the curves), be sure to allow room for cars, delivery vehicles, and fire trucks to pass through safely.

END OF SUMMER

LATE SUMMER YARD CLEANUP

Late summer cleanup always produces piles of yard waste. Here are a few reminders:

- ◆ Open burning of yard waste **is prohibited** in the City of Fort Wayne. Special Event permits are available from the Fire Department for outdoor burning events.
- ◆ Yard waste can be placed in the refuse containers or bagged and placed at the curb..
- ◆ Grass clippings can be bagged in plastic bags or placed in the refuse containers.
- ◆ Branches must be cut and bundled. Each branch must be less than 3 feet in length and 3 inches in diameter.
- ◆ Bulk items (furniture, washers, dryers, etc.)—**MUST CALL THE SOLID WASTE DEPARTMENT 24 HOURS BEFORE PICKUP.**
- ◆ Electronic items (TVs, Computers, MP3 players, cell phones) require special handling.

QUESTIONS?

Contact the Solid Waste Department at 427-1270 or www.cityoffortwayne.org

SIDEWALK REPAIRS

Much of our sidewalk infrastructure is between 18 and 20 years old. The winter weather has caused many sidewalks to be uneven, creating a tripping hazard leading to a liability issue for the homeowner if there is an accident.

In the past, the only solution was to dig up the sidewalk and pour new concrete. However, several of the residents have found a company that will drill the offending concrete slab forcing through the holes high pressure concrete, raising the slab to the appropriate level.

The Board does not endorse or recommend any contractor, but the following contractor has been recommended by several residents after they successfully had their sidewalks corrected:

Green Concrete Leveling, New Haven
Kevin Rutherford
260-416-8001
GreenConcreteLeveling.com

TRASH CANS



We appreciate the efforts of all residents who are now complying with the law by storing trash bins and recycle bins so they are not visible from the street. They are helping to improve our neighborhood and the perceived VALUE of our properties.

For those who must still stare out the front window of their homes at someone else's trash cans day and night, please call 311 to report it to neighborhood compliance. The two city ordinances are G-24-95 and G-38-07. The fines start and \$25 per can and increase as additional calls are made.

Help keep our neighborhood from going into the trash!

INCIDENT TRACKING

Usually, right before school starts, there are several “pranks” in the neighborhood. We have already had issues of “bell ringing” reported by several different neighbors.

MAILBOX : Keep in mind, the mailboxes and mailbox stands are maintained by your association as are the lawns and lakes in the common areas. (Mailbox tampering is a Federal Offense.)



PARKED VEHICLES: Homeowners have vehicles parked in their driveways. Unlocked vehicles, even in your driveway, invite vandals.

We need to be cautious and careful. Turn on your post light at night. Install a motion sensing light.

Please report all incidents of vandalism and other crimes to the Fort Wayne police. If you report an incident to the police, please call or e-mail any board member as well. We are trying to track incidents which occur in our community and alert you if there is an uptick.

Street Lights

Is the street light in front of your house out?
Does it stay on during the day?
Does it go on and off all night long?

Get the **number off the pole** and contact Fort Wayne at 311 to report it and request a repair. (This is a city responsibility.)



Post Lights



Our neighborhood streets are very dark when people do not turn on their post lights. **Per the Association covenants, the post light in each yard must be on from dusk to dawn.** Today, there are a variety of light bulbs and screw-in sockets that will automatically turn on and off the light. The new CFL run on just pennies per day.

**Help improve the safety and reduce vandalism in our neighborhood:
Turn on your post light from dusk to dawn every day.**

NEW EAGLE LAKE WEBSITE

WWW.EAGLELAKEHOA.ORG

VISIT OUR NEW EAGLE LAKE WEBSITE. It contains the most current information available about your association. When you enter the site, there is summary information on the first page. The important tabs across the top are the OUR INFO, CALENDAR, and PAGES & LINKS.

OUR INFO: Contains the current Contact List (Board Members) and the Newsletter Archive (current newsletter plus those for the previous year).

CALENDAR: Contains significant dates important to your association over the next 60 days.

PAGES & LINKS: Contains the Association By-Laws, Covenants for all 5 sections, and the Architectural Guidelines and Architectural Request Form.

Some of the formatting is dictated by the service. However, changes and additions can be



BABYSITTING, YARD WORK and OTHER SERVICES

The following list is provided as a service for our Association Members needing services. The Board does not warrant or endorse any of the individuals listed below.

BABYSITTING	Mia DePillo 209 Troon Way (637-9395) traceynjoe@hotmail.com	Age 16. Red Cross Training.
	Zoe DePillo 209 Troon Way (637-9395) traceynjoe@hotmail.com	Age 14. Red Cross Training.
YARD WORK SNOW SHOVELING	James Jamicich 506 Troon Way (338-1515) jjamicich@frontier.com	Affordable mowing, trimming, edging, yard clean-up, rake leaves. Has own equipment
LAWN CARE	Nolan Gonzales 334 Troon Way (385-7006) affordablelc@rocketmail.com	Affordable lawn care: Will provide a variety of lawn and yard services including mowing, trimming, edging, fertilizing, and mulching.
PET CARE	Zoe DePillo 209 Troon Way (637-9395) traceynjoe@hotmail.com	Age 13. Is your pet home all alone a lot and in need of some extra attention? I am available to walk, feed, and play with your pet. I can be available for daily scheduled visits or whenever the occasion arises. References.

BABY SITTERS and YARD WORKERS: If you want your name to appear here, send an e-mail with specifics to Ed Ruppel at ed_ruppel@frontier.com

BOARD OF DIRECTORS

BOARD MEETINGS

Association members are invited to attend any Board meetings. The meetings are held at homes in the neighborhood. Check the calendar on the Association Website for the next scheduled Board meeting.

*Eagle Lake Homeowners Association
PMB-182
429 East Dupont Road
Fort Wayne, IN 46825*

Bill Spohn	President/Secretary	226 Troon Way	637-5623
Dave Smith	Vice President/Architecture	322 Red Eagle Pass	637-2202
Ed Ruppel	Treasurer / Maintenance /	306 Red Eagle Pass	637-4050
Chris Russell		221 Troon Way	416-0809
Rodger Cornett		227 Soaring Eagle	637-6329
Darlene Hoover		210 Estero Road	637-0072
Robert Jenkins		203 Red Eagle Pass	267-5320
Dana Magnuson		408 Estero Road	417-1719
Jack Hall		11110 Lone Eagle Court	312-7369

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If you need verification of payment for Association dues, contact Ed Ruppel at ed_ruppel@frontier.com or 637-4050 **3 days prior to closing**. (Generally, the title company takes care of this.)



Call Mr. Fixit!



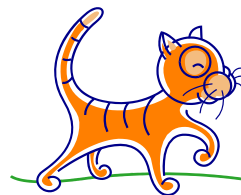
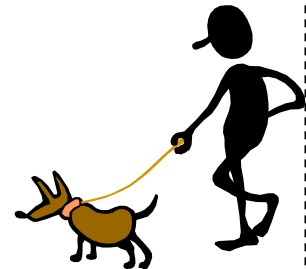
Do you have a broken mailbox rack? Is there a problem with the common fences? Whatever the issue with the association

common areas, notify:

Ed Ruppel (637-4050)
or ed_ruppel@frontier.com

Pet Care

- ◆ All dogs and cats must have a valid Fort Wayne animal license for 2014. Contact your vet or Animal Control.
- ◆ When walking pets, please pick up after your pet.
- ◆ All pets must be under your control at all times. They must be in fenced in yards or on a leash. (Check with the city for additional restrictions.)
- ◆ Invisible fences must be far enough from the public sidewalk to allow walkers to pass safely past your house.



- ◆ Stray or loose dogs and cats should be reported to Allen County Animal Control (449-7491).

Eagle Lake Subdivision Architectural Guidelines

Contact Dave Smith (637-2202) if your plans call for work covered below

Approval Process: Any exterior modifications or changes to the lot, home and related structures as well as other items as described in the guidelines below shall be submitted to the Architectural Control Committee for approval. The committee must approve or deny the request within 30 days. If a response is not received within 30 days, the request is deemed approved. If additional information is requested, the request must be approved within 15 days of the re-submittal or the original 30 day deadline, whichever is later. **Contact Dave Smith (Architectural Committee) 637-2202 with questions and information.**

City of Fort Wayne: The approval of the Eagle Lake Architectural committee **does not** superseded or substitute for the city requirement of permits, easement, professional architect, or inspections.

Building additions and Exterior Materials: Building additions to existing structures shall be approved by the Architectural Control Committee. Building additions shall meet applicable requirements for new construction such as color, exterior material, setback requirements etc. The building addition shall have the same color and style of shingles and exterior material as the existing structure. Frontal exposure shall have natural siding materials (i.e. brick, stone, or cedar) or other materials approved by the Board of Directors. Non-natural materials should be presented to the Architectural Committee Chair for review by the Board. (Vinyl and aluminum siding are not permitted on the front of any structure.)

Fences: Fences shall be of wood construction or of wood substituted materials approved by the Board of Directors. Fences shall be permitted for enclosing the back yard only. Fences shall be no taller than 6 feet (posts may exceed height by no more than 6 inches for the purpose of decorative caps). Fences along lakes shall be standard 2 or 3 rail split-rail fencing. Green vinyl mesh is permitted on split rail fences for animal containment. The fence must be treated / stained in a natural color and well maintained. The finished side must face outwards from the house (posts on house side). Corner lots have special restrictions on fence placement. Please refer to the covenants or contact the Architectural Committee for an explanation. Be sure to verify easements and their associated requirements before installing the fence.

Decks: Decks shall be made of appropriate material (wood, vinyl, or composite material) and treated / stained in a natural color. The color shall be similar to the house color, shades of brown or pickled white, or be natural weathered color of the material.

Antennas: Television, radio and other antennas or supporting structure shall not be permitted to extend more than 6 feet above the highest point of the roof of the house. The antenna must be attached to the main dwelling. Full size satellite dishes shall not be permitted. Small digital satellite dishes shall be permitted. Their installation shall be such that the dish is not visible from the front of the house and shall not extend above the attached roofline.

Storage Sheds: Storage sheds must be constructed of wood with wood or vinyl siding material. If used, vinyl siding should be of same type used on the house. The shed shall match the exterior color of the house. The roof shall have similar color and style of shingles as the house. The shed shall be a minimum of 96 sq. feet and no greater than 168 sq. feet in size with a maximum height of 11 feet. It shall be located in such a way as to minimize its visibility from the street. The shed shall be well maintained.

Exterior Color: The home shall be of an earth tone. Changes to the exterior color scheme of a home will require prior approval.

Swimming Pools: Swimming pools shall be in-ground only. Above ground pools are not permitted with the exception of small children's wading pools. Any pool requiring a filter system or larger than 14 feet in diameter (155 square feet of surface area) is not permitted. Hot tubs shall be permitted. Be sure to follow city ordinances for fencing around pools.

EAGLE LAKE SUBDIVISION

ARCHITECTURAL CONTROL REQUEST FORM

LOT OWNER: _____ **LOT #** _____

ADDRESS: _____ **PHONE #** _____

REQUEST FOR APPROVAL OF: _____

DESCRIPTION (include dimensions, color, placement on lot, etc. Attach sketch if possible. Sketch need not be to scale.)

PLANNED START DATE: _____

PLANNED COMPLETION DATE: _____

LOT OWNER SIGNATURE: _____

DATE SUBMITTED FOR APPROVAL: _____
(must be approved within 30 days)

FORWARD FORM TO ARCHITECTURAL CHAIRPERSON FOR REVIEW.

FOR BOARD USE ONLY **	
APPROVED/DENIED: _____	DATE: _____
ARCHITECTURAL BOARD MEMBER: _____	
SIGNATURE: _____	

**Approval does not constitute compliance with Fort Wayne building and zoning regulations. Please contact the building department and planning department (dial 311) for necessary regulations and permits.