## President's Message

MAIL AND MAIL DELIVERY ISSUES: In a prior Eblast, I suggested that homeowners keep a list of mail and/or mail delivery issues you're experiencing. If you have a list, please send it to me (skaggsRECOA@gmail.com) or to the ECM Office (ownerservices@eagle-crest.com). My intention is to present a summarized list of issues to the Redmond office of the USPS, so they can more effectively work with the contracted carriers to address and resolve performance issues.

## HOW ARE YOUR HOA DUES DERIVED? ARE YOU PUZZLED? INTERESTED?

**CONCERNED?** As I type this, an open meeting of the Directors, the Finance and Contracts Committee (FCC) members, and ECM staff is being scheduled for some time in the next 10 days. It will be announced as a Special BOD Meeting, at least 5 days prior to the meeting date. I anticipate the meeting will be a 9am – 5pm session.

In this meeting, Directors and FCC members will take a deep dive into the Draft 2023 Reserve Study and how it relates to the 2023 Budget. The 2023 Budget is the main driver of our HOA dues. So, the entire discussion should be of interest to all RECOA owners. Owners are highly encouraged to attend and see how the participants must determine the best balance between achieving healthy reserves, a robust operating budget, while doing their best to keep HOA dues as low as possible. Owners are invited to communicate questions and concerns to Directors outside of this working session. Owners are welcome to attend the meeting as observers.

Owners who attend to observe some or all of the meeting will:

- Hear an overview of the Level 1 Reserve Study.
- Get an appreciation of the enormous quantity of assets RECOA maintains.
- Understand more about how future costs are estimated.
- Understand how the operating budget is structured to cover all estimated costs in each neighborhood this coming year.

#### **ECM Announcements**

**RECOA Owners** – We have received many reports of a potential homeless camp developing off a private road visible from Scenic Ridge. This matter is now being handled by the Sheriff's department and BLM Ranger's, as this is not located on RECOA property.

### **General Announcements**

ELECTION INFO – Please read this important information for the 2022 election of your Board of Directors.

Candidate bios are available on the RECOA website. You can find them here: <u>2022 Election Information</u>. (ridgeowners.org). Once ballots have been sent out to owners, please check your spam folder as Simply Voting's email can default there. Voting dates will be announced shortly.

**Is electronic voting safe? Could someone find a way to vote twice?** Simply Voting has extensive experience with elections for over 2,500 organizations in 58 countries including many Homeowner Associations like ours. Simply Voting provides a secure code for each voting lot. Once that code is used to vote, their system will not allow another vote for that lot. There

are a few instances where a single owner owns and pays dues for more than one voting lot. That owner will receive a separate code for each lot.

# **Committee News**

**Communication Committee -** what do you want to hear about? Send your ideas for the RECOA eBlast to cc@ridgeowners.org

**Volunteer Now** - With new Directors coming onto the RECOA Board in November, it is a good time to contribute to our community by joining one of our many committees. You can find out more about volunteering at <a href="https://www.ridgeowners.org/general info/volunteer information">https://www.ridgeowners.org/general info/volunteer information</a>. The full list of RECOA Committees and chairperson contact information is on the RECOA website under <a href="Committees">Committees</a>. You can also reach out to any board member to get more information.

Based on requests from owners via the latest Communications Survey, we are trying to include more information about social activities in Eagle Crest. Did you know that Eagle Crest Golf issues a quarterly newsletter that lists upcoming events? A link to the Fall newsletter can be viewed by visiting the <a href="RECOA website/Community Info/Activities/Guest Pass">RECOA website/Community Info/Activities/Guest Pass</a>. Call or email Eagle Crest Golf to get on their mailing list (541-923-4653 or EagleRidgeGolf@Eagle-Crest.com).

## **Upcoming Meetings and Events**

We welcome your participation! Please join us for the following upcoming meetings:

**Maintenance and Oversight Committee -** Wednesday, November 2, 2022, 8:30am-10:30am Administration Building - 7555 Falcon Crest Drive

Cancelled - RECOA Rules Review Committee Meeting - Thursday, November 3, 2022

**Finance and Contracts Committee Meeting -** Friday, November 4, 2022, 10am-12pm Administration Building - 7555 Falcon Crest Drive

**Communications Committee Meeting** - Tuesday, November 8, 2022, 1pm-3pm **Zoom** - Click here to join the meeting

**Social Committee Meeting** - Wednesday, November 16, 2022, 3:30pm-4:30pm Administration Building - 7555 Falcon Crest Drive

**RECOA Rules Review Committee Meeting -** Thursday, November 17, 2022, 3pm to 4pm Administration Building - 7555 Falcon Crest Drive

**Annual Meeting** – Saturday, November 19, 2022, 10:00am-1:00pm Redmond Senior Center, 325 NW Dogwood Ave, Redmond, OR 97756