Friday eBlast, October 22, 2021

Election Update

Hopefully you've checked into the owner's portal to make sure your correct email addresses listed. We sent our owner list of emails and addresses off to Simply Voting this week. Next week Simply Voting will be sending out a test email in an effort to validate your email address is accurate and working. Please follow the instructions they give you for your reply. Here are a few other items:

Making sure you have the right email address

You can still change your email address on the portal. Since the portal doesn't alert us when an owner changes their information, you will need to send an email to ECM that you made a change. <u>ownerservices@eagle-crest.com</u>.

Which address on the portal will receive the ballot

In homes where there are two owners, there are often two email addresses. Which one will get the ballot? The answer is both. Each email will receive a single ballot with the unique code for that address. Because there will be only one code per residential lot, couples (or co-owners) will need to work together to determine the vote for your household. The Simply Voting software will ONLY accept (per the by-laws) ONE VOTE PER RESIDENTAL LOT – NOT ONE VOTE PER E-MAIL ADDRESS. This is important. If a second ballot for a residential lot is received, a notice that a vote for that lot has already been received will be automatically generated by the Simply Voting Software System. If this happens, contact the "other owner" (and/or your partner/spouse) to see if they have already voted using the Simply Voting supplied security code for the purposes of voting electronically for that address).

Candidate Videos are Up on the Website

Take the time to get to know the two candidates. Both candidates have filmed a video and those videos are posted to our website: <u>www.ridgeowners.org</u>. Look for the link on the home page.

CWP

From your Community Wildfire Protection Committee (CWP). To expand the background messaging on the pending RECOA BOD decision for participation in the FEMA Hazard Mitigation Grant Program (HGMP) formally awarded to Deschutes County, we are posting an initial FAQ Battery on the RECOA Website (FEMA HMGP GRANT FAQs #1). The FAQ's will continue to be expanded in the future. If you have specific questions not covered in the posted FAQs, please feel free to contact us at cwp@ridgeowners.org

Evacuation Flyer

On Friday, September 24, Deschutes County Emergency Manager Nathan Garibay presented the Emergency Evacuation Plan for the Eagle Crest Community. This was the product of a task force initiated by the RECOA Board. Curt Heimuller, Boyd Turner, and Leslie Brown worked with Sergeant Garibay to tailor the County protocol for our community. Attached and posted to the Ridge Owners website is a handy tool containing the most important information. Behind this is detailed work for evacuation of our community by specific zones, adding our locked gates into the database available to all emergency personnel, and many more details. We are planning for the Emergency Manager to return for an in-person session, hopefully before the next fire season begins.

Thank you, ECM

President's Message

There's a lot going on as we transition into the Fall weather. This is the time of year where our various committees are preparing their budgets for 2022. The budget sessions are scheduled for Tuesday, October 26. A lot of work goes into this preparation. When you have an opportunity, please thank the volunteer owners who serve on these committees.

There's a special board meeting scheduled for Monday, October 25 at 4:00 p.m. The only agenda item is a discussion of a situation regarding an owner with delinquent account. While the session is on Zoom and open to all owners, the executive session will be closed to respect the owner's privacy during a difficult time. Any vote will come once the board goes back into regular session.

At the September board meeting, the board decided to cancel the board meeting dates for October and November and schedule a single regular meeting the first week of November. The date for the meeting is Tuesday, November 2. Details and agenda for that meeting will be forthcoming.

Our annual owners meeting is scheduled for Saturday, November 20 at 10:00. During that meeting committee chairs will provide a report of their activities for the past year and the 2022 budget will be presented. For the second year in a row, this will be a Zoom meeting. Look to the calendar on the website for the link.