

# HIGH DESERT ESTATES NEWSLETTER

AUGUST 2024

## By the Community, for the Community

This is an early notification that there will be a change in your monthly water/dues billing on November 1st this year. Due to rising costs and inflation, and to keep the Reserve Fund in alignment with the plan that was discussed at the annual meeting, the Board has elected to increase your monthly fee from \$50.00 to \$55.00. You will see that change when you receive your bill in November. Please be aware of the change for those of you that do automatic payments through your bank as they will need to be changed.

## Board Meeting Summary

All regular board meetings are held at 4 PM at HOA Office 5980 SE Jerry Drive

Presented by:

**Mike Kruskopf**

Board President

UPCOMING BOARD MEETING  
August 8 September 12

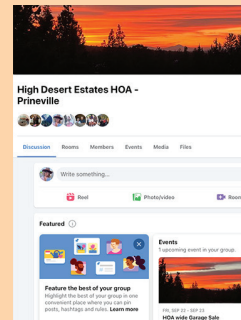
- We have a schedule to **seal the cracks on the roads**, the last week of August. If you want to get a quote to seal your driveway call Tri County Paving 541-526-5800.
- **Wildfire Season.** We hope you all have read and saved the foldout we recently mailed to everyone to help you prepare for this hot summer season we are having and to know what to do if a fire erupts within or threatens our HOA. The fires are everywhere in Oregon, and could happen here just as easily, so please, be prepared.
- **Dogs again.** More complaints of dogs running loose, so please keep your dog under control and leashed or fenced in. This seems to be a continuing problem with the same few dogs. **We just had a report of a pedestrian getting bitten by two uncontrolled dogs on David Way.** Law Enforcement may need to be involved in this one, if you love your pets, keep them under control at all times. You may face criminal or civil penalties if your pets injure another person or animal. Please be responsible for your pets.
- We have had a couple of property sales this summer, so please **welcome new HOA members** when you have a chance.
- At the annual HOA meeting in May, property owners approved a budget of \$35,000 for a **service/plow truck for the HOA**, we are pleased to announce that we have acquired that truck and the final cost will be somewhat over half of the approved budget. We are currently deciding where to park the truck for safety concerns, and are exploring costs to build a metal garage building with locking doors.
- An older white flatbed pickup truck was observed **driving well in excess of 45mph** while under hard acceleration on at least two occasions recently, this kind of reckless disregard for the safety of HDE families and visitors will not be tolerated, any person operating a motor vehicle in such a manner, if identified as a resident of HDE, **may lose their water privileges** and/or be subject to any other fines or penalties as the Board sees fit.
- Every month on different days and at different locations, **our water is tested.** A couple weeks ago one of the samples tested E. coli in an outdoor faucet, not in a cistern or well. Subsequent tests by the Prineville water inspector showed the water had cleared. We hope to better communicate should this issue arise again.

## New in the Neighborhood! Big Red — new HOA truck



## Join Our Facebook Group

Our **PRIVATE Facebook group** is growing! Limited to homeowners in High Desert Estates, with the purpose of better communication between neighbors. **JOIN US!**



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We have four drop off sites here in our HOA for your water bill payments or any correspondence, and they are as follows:  
The office at 5980 SE Jerry Drive, black postal box on the home at 4830 SE Jerry Drive, the cistern at the top of the hill on McKenzie Place off of David Way, and at the black postal box on the home at 5060 SE Davis Loop.