

BRIDGEWOOD HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION

March 26, 2025

Dear Bridgewood Family,

We hope this message finds you well. First and foremost, we want to express our sincere appreciation for each and every one of you. Your commitment to being wonderful neighbors is what makes Bridgewood such a fantastic place to live. The sense of community and pride that we see throughout our neighborhood is truly inspiring, and we are grateful for your efforts in maintaining the beauty of our shared spaces.

Thanks to your dedication, our community continues to shine with beauty and charm. From well-kept lawns to thoughtful landscaping, the care that you put into your homes contributes to the overall appeal of Bridgewood. It is a pleasure to see residents taking pride in their surroundings, creating an inviting and picturesque neighborhood for all to enjoy.

As your HOA Board, our role is to serve as stewards of our community, ensuring that Bridgewood remains a great place to live now and in the future. We work diligently to uphold community standards, address concerns, and manage the financial and operational aspects that keep our neighborhood thriving. One of our main responsibilities is overseeing the preservation and maintenance of our lake, a naturally protected wetland that serves as a beautiful and vital part of our environment.

The lake is not only a scenic focal point but also our largest budgetary item each year. Maintaining its health and ecological balance requires significant resources, including regular conservation efforts, water quality management, and necessary improvements. We remain committed to ensuring that this natural treasure is protected and enjoyed for generations to come.

We continue to pursue legal action to recover a portion of the expenses incurred for the maintenance and upkeep of the lake. This effort is aimed at ensuring that responsible parties contribute to the financial sustainability of this vital natural resource.

Serving on the Bridgewood HOA Board is a meaningful way to contribute to our community. As we continue our efforts to maintain the beauty and sustainability of our neighborhood, we invite residents to consider volunteering their time and talents to help guide the future of Bridgewood. Elections will be held this year, and all board seats are open for re-election or nomination of a new candidate. Residents interested in running for a board position must submit a nomination form by the April 9th deadline. To ensure transparency the votes will be tallied during the annual community meeting. Your voice matters and we encourage the entire community's participation.

The Bridgewood Homeowners Association, and the dues thereof, is in place to support the business and needs of the subdivision and to ensure Bridgewood remains a great community to live. **The Board of Directors has voted to maintain the current fee of \$550.00 for the 2025 Annual Association Dues. Funds are due on or before Monday, May 5th, 2025.** Late payments will be subject to additional fees, so we encourage timely submission to avoid any inconvenience. If further consideration is needed, contact the board Treasurer for instruction. **Please submit your check or money order payable to Bridgewood Homeowners Association, if mailing in your payment. Please include your Lot number(s) on the payment to ensure your payment is correctly allocated. We have also added an option of paying ACH. Please provide the Treasurer with your email address. The HOA will then email an invoice for payment. ACH payments will incur a 1% processing fee of the total payment to cover transaction costs charged by our payment processor.**

The Annual Community Meeting is scheduled to be held in person at the Lake County Public Library (lower level), 1919 81st Ave, Merrillville, IN 46410 on Saturday April 12th, 12:30 - 3:00. Town Manager Michael Griffin is our special guest and will be in attendance to provide updates on the latest developments and improvements in Merrillville, including infrastructure projects, community initiatives, and upcoming city planning efforts that may impact our neighborhood. We look forward to seeing you there!

Warm regards and continued blessings,

Bridgewood Board of Directors:

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