

Grouse Meadows Owners' Association, Inc.

P.O. Box 2855, Hayden, ID 83835 <u>www.mygmoa.org</u> July 2021

Neighborhood Garage Sale – Fri to Sun, 7/23-25th

Apologies for the late notice. If you have items that haven't been used in a while, just taking up valuable space, maybe this is for you.

We'll have a **neighborhood garage sale** advertised in Craigslist, Nickels Worth, and the Coeur d'Alene Press. The neighborhood garage sale signs will be placed at the three entrance areas the Monday before the weekend garage sale. So take advantage of the increased traffic neighborhood sales bring. Again, our apologies for the late notice.

Authorizing GMOA to send Communications via Email

We're again sending out a request to help reduce administrative costs, by opting in to receive communications via email. We're trying to make an impact on reducing the expense of mailing supplies, printing and stamps used for: 1) newsletters, 2) ACC notices, 3) billings, and 4) responses to owner communications.

Just over 12% of owners' have opted in. If you are willing to receive the above noted items via email, instead of printed/mailed copies, please send an email to <u>Secretary@mygmoa.org</u> and your request will be recorded. We thank you for your consideration to support this initiative.

Board positions Available



We will have four (4) positions to fill at the 2021 Annual Members meeting, with 3 terms ending and one current vacancy.

If you have an interest in participating on the Board and being included in the 2021 Board elections in the fall, please notify the Board through the "Drop us a line!" link at the bottom of the home page or email to <u>Secretary@mygmoa.org</u>.



Checked out the GMOA website yet?

We update the website with information more regularly than waiting for a newsletter. So pop in and check it out every month to see if there is anything new.

Items found on the GMOA website:

- Board of Directors list
 Email lin
- General news
- Email link to Board
- Community links
- Governing Documents
 ACC Rules & Standards and forms
- List of community agency/resources

Who do you call?

If you should notice a street lamp out in the neighborhood, please make note of the location and report it to the City of Hayden through the website

(<u>www.cityofhaydenid.us</u> – then click on I want to tab and select **Report**, then **Streetlight Outage**) or email through the

Avista Utilities website

(<u>www.myavista.com</u> - under **Contact Us** tab, selecting **Street/Area Light Out** as the reason for contact).

If you're having any parking issues or dealing with an abandon car on the street, you need to contact the Kootenai County Sheriff's department Non-Emergency line -208-446-1854.

Being Neighborly is Important

No one wants to come home to a contentious environment at their *home!* So here's a few reminders to keep in mind, and remember to treat others the way you would like to be treated.

- Remember to always pick up after your dog on walks
- Manage any incessant barking
- Communicate about common fence line maintenance
- Be mindful of late night noise
- Provide notice to neighbors of upcoming events that will generate increased parking
- Provide guidance to guests to not park over sidewalk, parking no more than 1 foot into the swale, and not to block neighbors' driveways. And always recommend car pooling.



Studies show that areas maintained, have notably lower crime patterns. Maintaining trees and shrubs on your property and around your home will also provide better visibility from passing neighbors or law enforcement patrols.

You should also be aware there is a curfew ordinance in effect restricting anyone under the age of 18 to be out between the hours of midnight and 5 a.m. Our tax dollars only go so far, so it's important to help the Sheriff's Department use their resources wisely. We can help ourselves in the following ways:

- Keep vehicle doors locked with visible valuables removed
- Turn on outside lights and/or use motion detectors on the exterior in the evening
- Make sure if traveling, to stop your mail and newspaper, or arrange for a neighbor to pick up
- Be acquainted with your neighbors and keep an eye out for each other's property
- When coming or going from the neighborhood, occasionally take a different route
- Report suspicious activity to the Sheriff's Department (208-446-1300 or 911)

Architectural Control Committee (ACC) Refresher

Trash Containers – They shouldn't be visible from the front, keep your trash receptacle in your garage, stored behind your fence or behind an outdoor screen when it's not at the street for trash pick-up.

Parking of All Recreational Type Vehicles – All vehicles must be parked on concrete or graveled pads on the side of the house, behind fencing or off site.

Sidewalks - Keep the sidewalk clear of debris and vehicles, and during the winter clear of snow and ice. Per the City of Hayden Ordinance 311, 4-9-2002, it is the responsibility of the property owner to maintain sidewalks abutting the owner's property in a safe and proper condition and to repair all damage to sidewalks.

Swale areas – They act as a water filtration system and must be kept free of debris. Do not park more than 1 foot into swale to prevent compaction.

Gravel Parking Pads - Should have 2-3" of gravel, and kept free of grass and weeds.

Perimeter Lawn Sprinkler Update

We suffered some damage when the fiber subcontractor came through along Prairie, and also from last fall when new circuit boxes were installed at the corner of Cardinal and Coopers Hawk.

We believe we have located all of the damaged areas, so you should see improvement over the next several weeks

Update on Lockable Cluster Box Units

We've had some delays with the project but expect to have the project completed this year. So stay tuned.



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