

News Around The Neighborhood

Winter 2021

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The Briar Cove Board of Directors wishes you a Happy New Year.

Don't forget to remove your holiday decorations by the end of January

Committees for 2021

- <u>Website</u>: Jay Popp
- ARC: Jay Popp, Virgil Jordan, Bill Sliepka, Ron Szikora, Ralph Flens
- Outside Lighting Committee: Jay Popp

Mail Box Repair

Mail boxes are the responsibility of the homeowners. It is always best to tackle those before the weather makes it difficult (especially with the ground freezing). One recommended repair person is Bill Jagadich and can be reached at 219-669-9278. At the very least you could get a price for repairs and split it with your neighbor, before forcing you to retrieve mail from the post office or before repairs become more expensive or can't be done until spring.

Dogs

Residents are reminded to pick up after their dogs. This means that you must carry a plastic bag when walking your dog and bring any residue back with you. Do not let your dog do their business on sidewalks, driveways or grass without taking it. Please be a good neighbor. We value our space. Please keep it clean.

Ludington Water Break

There was a water line break at the corner of Ludington Lane and 213th/Airport Road in mid-December. It has been repaired but it will take some time to complete filling in the hole and repairing the landscaping.

Lighting on Charlevoix

The Board had been previously informed that a light would be placed on the curve on the east side of Charlevoix. However, there is a delay since the Town of Schererville was informed that NIPSCO would be charging for this light (a new policy apparently). The cost was given as \$6800.00. The Board has gone back to the Town for a contact at NIPSCO to discuss this with, and will research any grants for urban lighting that might be available.

Pine Trees

The Board will consider requests for pine trees that will need to be cut in the spring on the periphery of our development. Please contact Resource Management with this request.

Vandalism in Falls Area

There has been some vandalism in the falls area. Please be aware of this activity, and report it to Schererville Police Department immediately.

Upcoming Project

Dogwood bush replacement, and garage and wood area front of houses painting will take place in 2021.

If Garbage Day is Windy

It's been suggested that homeowners put their garbage out on the day that it will be picked up- not the night before. The trash is all ending up at the east end of our development in neighbors' yards if it's windy. Recycled materials may not be put in plastic bags, since the bags cannot be recycled. However, placing the bin out the day of pickup would be best.

Pipe holders in homes with basements

It has recently been observed that the plastic 3 inch pipe hangers that support the pipe going from the utility room to the home outside drain are cracking. If enough of the hangers break, the pipe could possibly be damaged and crack. Please inspect the drain line and replace the hangers if necessary. The hangers are available from Home Depot or Milnes.

REMINDER: Add Resource Management to your homeowner's policy and send a copy to them. If you need help with this or need more information, please contact Resource Management and your homeowner's insurance policy agent. ~ALSO~ Please fill in and mail the contact information sheet.

2021 Event Schedule

Quarterly Newsletter mailing: January 15, April 16, July 16, October 15

Annual Survey – October 1-31st

Annual Report, Survey results and Treasurer's Report – November 17

Garage Sale (proposed): Preparation Days June 17 & 18 Sale: June 19

All meetings and gatherings will be announced as soon as it is possible. No in-person meetings are scheduled at this time.

2021 Contact Information

Resource Management (anyone can assist you)

219-865-2104 <u>service@resourcemanagementllc.com</u>

Briar Cove Residents Email: briarcoveresidentsemail@gmail.com

<u>Briar Cove Board Drop Box:</u> On doorway, 1319 Mackinaw Place, label says BRIAR COVE

Coyote Information

We will need to learn to live with coyotes. They will not be leaving our area. If you see a coyote, contact Resource Management. Coyote capture is ending January 2021 unless there are many reports.

To keep your property coyote-free, Indiana DNR recommends:

• Never storing pet food outside unattended. Food attracts other wildlife. Don't feed any wild animals.

• Making sure all pets are either indoors or in a secure space if left outside unattended. *Coyotes come out at night.* Be aware if you're walking your dog.

• Making startling noises to scare away coyotes if they're spotted on your property. Shaking a can filled with coins or rocks, blasting an air horn or spraying coyotes with water can be effective. Never corner a coyote. Always give the animals an escape route to run away.

1. Do not feed coyotes

- 2. Do not let pets run loose
- 3. Do not run from a coyote
- 4. Repellents may help
- 5. Do not create conflict where it does not exist
- 6. Report aggressive, fearless coyotes immediately