



**Spring 2020**

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**2020 Board of Directors:**

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The Board of Directors hopes that you, your family and your friends are healthy and are staying safe. Please keep in mind the directives from the CDC.GOV and Indiana State Department of Health IN.GOV/Coronavirus websites with information on how to keep safe and healthy. Here is some information for you:

- **Keep Social Distancing:** Do not gather and keep at least 6 feet away from anyone you encounter on your walks around our neighborhood. You may not be aware of illness you may have or others may have.
- **Grocery Pick Up:** If you need groceries and cannot go out, please contact Peter. He has a list of people that can assist and will let you know who's available for you to call.
- **Late Fees are cancelled until June 30, 2020, for Briar Cove monthly fees. Payments for the month can be made any time during the month owed:** The Board knows that this is a difficult time for many and we hope this helps. The Board will consider an extension to this policy beyond June 30, 2020 if the situation continues longer than that.
- **The Schererville trash pickup is ONLY in bins:** No other trash will be picked up. DO NOT LEAVE TRASH outside your bins. No one will pick it up. This is to keep the garbage pickup safe for the drivers.
- During the current COVID-19 emergency, **Schererville Police Department is open**, but with essential staff presence in the police department building. Our essential staff members are records clerks, dispatchers and police officers. We are asking the public to call first before arriving or entering the police department. Citizens can call 219-322-5000 with non-emergency and **911** for all emergency concerns.
- ALL PLAYGROUNDS, SKATE PARKS, BASKETBALL & TENNIS COURTS ARE CLOSED UNTIL APRIL 7, 2020 EXECUTIVE ORDER 20-08 STATE OF INDIANA

- All water utility bills can be paid online or over the phone.
- Governor Eric Holcomb announced an agreement to move the date of this year's Indiana primary election from May 5 to June 2

### **Briar Cove Changes Due To COVID-19/Corona Virus**

- **These meetings are CANCELLED. This includes:**
  - **April 16<sup>th</sup> Quarterly Meeting 6:30pm Dyer-Schererville Public Library**
  - **April 18<sup>th</sup> Quarterly Meeting 12:00pm Dyer-Schererville Public Library**
  - **Board of Directors Walkabout Day: May 2**

### **Briar Cove information for you**

- If you need **driveway replacement**, please let Peter know. All replacements are subject to Board approval.
- Remember that *all exterior changes must have ARC approval*. The form is on the Briar Cove website (<http://www.briarcovehomeownersassociation.com/>) or ask Peter for a copy. Fill it out and return to Peter.
- Beginning next year, **Briar Cove will paint garage doors** in addition to the normal trim painting.
- **Trees** have been marked for removal and this will begin as soon as weather permits. Please review the list on the Briar Cove website (or ask Peter for a copy if you do not have access) of bushes that will be allowed as replacements if you want them.
- Residents needing to have their **north-facing siding sprayed for mold** will be advised and a vendor will be noted. Only professional spraying is recommended. This is the residents' responsibility.
- The replacement **fountain in the pond** will be installed this spring. Our vendor is waiting for the electrician to be available.
- Please **keep social distance** from any vendors working in Briar Cove. They need to be safe too.
- For more information: Briar Cove website (<http://www.briarcovehomeownersassociation.com/>) and Facebook (**Briar Cove**).

### **Information from BC Board and Town of Schererville Meeting on March 4, 2020**

**Subject: Land for sale adjacent to the east side of Briar Cove (Airport Rd/213<sup>th</sup> St.)**

- Current Zoning: Residential R3, multifamily up to 4 unit building
- There are no current changes to the zoning, and no inquiries to change the zoning (to commercial)

- Any change to zoning or building (even if residential) would follow this procedure:
  - File application
  - Planning Commission meets with buyer
  - Every residence within 300 feet would be notified in writing (this would be the east end of Briar Cove)
  - Public Hearing: Everyone is allowed to speak and/or object. There would have to be an explanation why a zoning change would take place if there is one.
  - Planning Commission makes a recommendation to the Town Council
  - The Town Council has the final say
- Challenge is the environmental impacts to develop it.
- Website with information on this property and photos:  
[https://www.realtor.com/realestateandhomes-detail/1451\\_Schererville\\_IN\\_46375\\_M35744-12717](https://www.realtor.com/realestateandhomes-detail/1451_Schererville_IN_46375_M35744-12717)

**We say good bye to:**

Carmen Gambino, Barbara Fieldhouse, Theresa Koliboski, Dee Niven

# Briar Cove Contact List

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Valparaiso IN 46383  
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**Contact Peter Bylen if you need a form, a contact person or a problem resolved**

**Briar Cove Residents Email:**

[briarcoveresidentsemail@gmail.com](mailto:briarcoveresidentsemail@gmail.com) This goes directly to the President, BC Board of Directors

**Briar Cove Board Drop Box: On porch 1319 Mackinaw Place, label says**

**BRIAR COVE (do NOT leave in USPS mailbox)**