

Hidden Lake Community Quacker

November 2018

Message from the Board

-Keeping ourselves Warm-

Fall is here and the leaves are changing before our eyes! Our property is as beautiful as ever; some of the trees look like they are on fire. The weather is cooling down and many of us are using our fireplaces and heaters. This is a convenience that your HOA dues pay for. Please make sure you are not leaving your fireplace on for long periods of time as they are not designed to heat our homes, they are merely an accent piece. Additionally, please only use your heater when you are home and turn it off, or at least down, while you are away. This will keep all of our costs down. Thank you for your continued effort in minimizing our utility costs.

-Hidden Lake Property Management-

It is our goal as board members to ensure that all our residents feel respected, listened to, and that your concerns are being met. Lately, a topic of conversation both in our board meetings and through additional meetings and correspondence has been the role FCS has been playing in our community. The board has had several issues with the speed in which FCS has been returning our calls, paying our vendors, and scheduling meetings. As a result, the Board has decided to terminate our contract with FCS and begin interviewing new management companies. We will keep the community updated with the results of this interview process. Please be patient as we work through this process, thank you.

-Two Vacant positions for the Board-

Are you interested in being part of the process? Would you like to know how the board operates and how decisions are made? As of December, we will have the potential for two open seats on the board. Members who are selected will serve a two year-term and must be willing to take on a variety of tasks that will help propel our community forward. If you are interested, please send an email to info@myhiddenlake.com stating your name, unit, a short bio, and some ideas you have about improving our community. A current board member will reach out to you to schedule a time to meet with the board. We look forward to meeting some new faces and hearing your ideas.

In the meantime, please come to our next board meeting on Wednesday, November 14th at 7:00 in the clubhouse.

Ongoing Issues and Updates

-Recycling-

Each month we receive penalties and fees from the recycling company because we are not properly sorting our recyclables. The recycling containers we have on site have bright yellow lids, while the trash bins have black lids. Granted, if the lids are open on both bins it is harder to differentiate between them. Please take the extra time to properly sort your trash and recycling. Additionally, when you are taking out, or otherwise sorting, your recycling, it is not necessary to put your recycled items in plastic bags. In doing so you are contaminating the recycling. Please dispose of your paper, cardboard, cans and plastics without wrapping them in additional bags. Our community and our planet will be better for it.

Decks and Balconies-

As some of you have noticed, repairs have begun on some of the decks and balconies in our community. These projects are being completed in a “worst to best” order. If your deck or balcony needs to be repaired, please submit a work order to info@myhiddenlake.com and you will be added to the list. If you are able to submit photos with your request please do so. Although the process of deck and balcony repair might seem slow, please understand that we have a small crew working on them, permits and contracts need to be obtained for each building, and we have several decks that are in extreme disrepair. Please be patient and understand that work on the decks and balconies will continue through the season and into next year. The product is worth the wait!