

## **January 2017 Newsletter**

**Happy New Year!** During the annual HOA meeting, Amanda and Cory were re-elected as Board members. Chris Pearce was voted in as our new Secretary. Welcome Chris!

The following are enclosed with this newsletter:

- Invoice for 2017 dues
- Meeting minutes from the annual homeowner's meeting that took place on December 5th;
- Balance Sheet and P&L for 2016

**President:** 

Amanda Fee

**Vice President:** 

Cory Hackstedt

**Secretary:** 

Chris Pearce

#### **Wetland Trees**

With the recent cold weather, some of our neighborhood plants and trees have been affected. If your home is adjacent to the wetland property the HOA owns, please contact the Board if one of the trees on that property are showing signs of stress or deterioration. Thank you!

# Landscaping on 53rd

In January or February this year, we expect the City of Albany to begin replacing approximately 5 of the trees that line 53rd. The other trees not selected will be pruned sometime this winter or spring. We also anticipate that the sections of sidewalk, that were affected by the roots, will be re-leveled. There will be zero cost to the HOA for this work.

#### **Contractor Referrals**

If you're in need of a referral for a local contractor, we maintain a list of licensed individuals and companies. A copy of the list is available on our Facebook Group "Oak Creek Meadows HOA", the HOA website, or a copy can be mailed to you upon request. If you have a company that you love, please feel free to share it with us!

### **HOA Website**

Electronic copies of the CC&Rs are available on our website. We also have minutes from previous meetings, maps of the neighborhood and other information. The Complaint Form & Architectural Change Request Form are also available. Can't find what you need? Please let us know and we'll be happy to assist you. Please check it out at <a href="http://www.oakcreekmeadowshoa.org">http://www.oakcreekmeadowshoa.org</a>

## Calapooia Watershed Council Open Space Project

Over the past two years, the Watershed Council has been developing a plan to improve the wetlands that surround our neighborhood. If you haven't had the opportunity to attend an information session, details are available on their website. At this time, there is no timeframe for these improvements, as they are still seeking funding, in the form of grants. We will provide updates as more information becomes available.

http://www.calapooia.org/projects/oak-creek-open-space-public-outreach/

## **Loose Dogs**

We received multiple complaints this year regarding loose dogs. A reminder to dog owners that they need to be safely restrained to the your property and not be allowed to roam the neighborhood. While walking your pet, please ensure that they are on a leash.

We understand that pets can escape by accident, which can be scary for both the pet and owner. If you have Facebook, we suggest joining the page called "Spring Meadow and Brookfield Neighborhood Page by Samantha Alley". If you don't have Facebook, feel free to contact the Board and we'll be happy to post something for you. You can reach us through email or voicemail.

## **Street Parking**

Just a reminder that Elk Circle doesn't meet City regulations with regard to curb striping. Please don't park directly across from another car as this can prevent a fire truck or ambulance from navigating the street. In the event of an emergency, we all want them to reach those in need. Please also be aware of limited parking on Otter Ct, Antelope Ct & Beaver Ct. If you have multiple vehicles, please be sure to park as many in your driveway and garage as possible, to free up space for visitors and emergency vehicles. If you have any questions or concerns, please let us know.

## **Rental Properties**

If your property is being rented to another party, please remember to provide the tenant with a copy of the CC&Rs. We also ask that the owner of the property manage any issues with non-compliance. Property owners are responsible for any penalty incurred by a tenant.

#### **Electronic Communications**

If you would like to receive our newsletters by email, you can sign up at <a href="http://www.oakcreekmeadowshoa.org/signup.html">http://www.oakcreekmeadowshoa.org/signup.html</a>. Invoices and meeting notices will continue to be sent through the US Mail as required by the HOA By-laws. You can opt out at any time. If you choose not to sign up, you will continue to receive all communications through the US Mail.