



FORREST GROVES ESTATES

Homeowner's Hotline

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MARK YOUR CALENDAR...

January Board Meeting
Thursday, Jan 19, 2022 7:00p.m. Zoom

2022-2023 FGE Board Members

President: Stan Dunlap
1st VP – Water and Sewer: Dave Kasper
2nd VP – Roads, Trash, and Recycling: Jen Redfern
Treasurer: Beth Gordon
Secretary: Jill Corr

FG BOARD UPDATES

- Board meetings are scheduled for the 3rd Thursday of the month from 7-8 pm. **January 19 via Zoom.** Agenda will be posted on the FGEHA website a week before the meeting.
- To contact the Board, please email fgehoa@gmail.com. Messages will be forwarded to the appropriate Board member(s) for response.
- The **Reserve Study** with Robbie Pepper from Facilities Advisors should be ready this month
- Updating the FGEHA **Covenants**; next draft should be available for feedback this month; updating **Policies** and **Rules** based on the updated covenants will begin after Covenants are finalized

JOB ANNOUNCEMENT

- The position of FGEHA President will be available when the new fiscal year begins after the Annual Meeting in July. Interested parties should plan to attend Zoom meetings between now and April.

REMINDERS

Fragile Sewers: Please remember to be gentle with our aging sewer system. Only human waste and a little toilet paper. **NO** feminine products, diapers, pads, wipes, “**flushables**”, etc. down toilets. **NO** grease down sinks.

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TRASH

- Please do not leave trash outside of the dumpsters. Pick-ups are Monday morning and Thursday afternoon.
- Close the dumpster doors tightly and latch.

RECYCLING Thanks for your help keeping recyclable materials out of the landfill.

- **Allowable:** plastic bottles, newspaper, magazines, old mail, and flattened cardboard boxes.
- **Prohibited:** glass, trash, Styrofoam and plastic bags. If you collect your recyclables in a plastic bag, please empty the bag and toss the plastic bag in the trash.
- **Pick-up:** Waste Management now picks up every other week on Wednesday.

WINTER IS HERE in Forrest Groves Estates -- a few reminders

- **COMMUNITY ROADS:** Snow tends to cover everything. Every attempt will be made to make our roads safe and passable, but your help is needed.
 - Snow removal happens once we have 4 inches of snow. Generally, priority will be given to High Trails Drive from 521 High Trails to the entrance, then Verde Lane and Forrest Groves Lane.
 - Community **speed limit** remains at **10 mph** during the winter months
 - FGEHA has a 10-foot easement alongside roads. FGEHA is **not** responsible for damage to anything in that easement.
 - Chains are advised up High Trails now that the roads are icy.
 - Please do not throw or blow snow from your property onto the common roads. It just makes for inconvenience for our volunteer drivers.
 - **POWER OUTAGES:** Power outages can occur during the winter months and can last a while. Check out this page from LPEA <https://lpea.coop/how-be-outage-ready>
 - Our sewer system runs on power, so if power goes out, please **limit toilet flushing** or it will cause our lift stations to back up.
 - Be sure to have some extra water on hand for consumption and toilets.
 - FGEHA did experience problems with the sewer pumps due to the power surges and two-hour outage. Thanks to the people who reported the alarm at the influent house and to Olin for resolving the problem.
- **FIREPLACE ASHES:** Fireplace ashes need to be stored in a metal container and NOT placed on a wooden surface for at least a week before being placed in the dumpster. NO dumpster fires, please.
- **SLEDDING:** Please be cautious of sledders/skiers coming down High Trails. To keep everyone safe place the orange cones on the side of the road to alert drivers of your presence. This use is at your own risk.

HELP WANTED

We have received several requests for people who will remove snow from personal driveways. If you know someone who provides this service, please let us know and we will pass it along, fgehoa@gmail.com
HANDY MAN AVAILABLE: we have learned about a person who does a variety of “small project” services, such as carpentry, wiring, plumbing, etc. Contact fgehoa@gmail.com

SHORT TERM RENTAL OWNERS and RENTAL AGENTS

You will be receiving the FGEHA Verification letters that you agreed to in applying for a license for rental activities, income and taxes collected for calendar year 2022. They are due to FGEHA by March 1, 2023

CRITTERS Have you been able to see our winter neighbors? There have been reports of a rabbit, a fox, wild turkeys, perhaps a lynx. Keep an eye out.

KUDOS CORNER

Thank you to those who have generously given of their time to support our community.

- Tim Wheeler for organizing & training our homeowner volunteer drivers: Olin Kane, Ryan Brooks, Michael Rossback, & Bob Ewing.
- To YOU for your ongoing neighborly generosity and concern.

Have a great 2023!