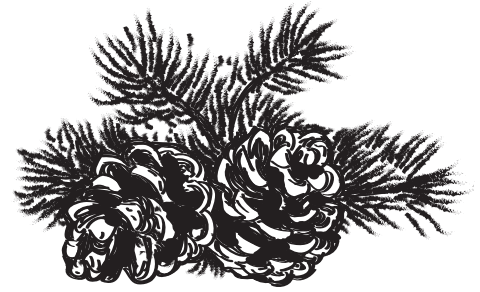


Vista Estates

Spring 2020 Newsletter



Greetings and best wishes from the members of your Vista Estates HOA board!

Here's a quick update on the last two HOA meetings and current happenings in Vista Estates. (Detailed meeting minutes are posted on the Vista Estates website.)

Homeowner Association Meeting Highlights:

- ***Gate cleaning:*** In October a question was brought up about cleaning the gates, and what would be the cost of having them cleaned. Bob Rossi volunteered to get a quote. During the January meeting it was decided that homeowners would do it. Brenda Chandler and Diane Robey volunteered to do Gate 3.
- ***Parking guidelines:*** A homeowner said people were upset with the date cutoff for where it was OK to park outdoor vehicles in winter. They said it wasn't convenient for people who like winter sports, i.e. snowmobiling. Tami Seegrist and Brenda Chandler said that's a change that could potentially be included when the CCRs are updated, possibly this year.
- ***Gate 2 repair:*** Automated Gates was chosen to replace the damaged Gate 2. The repaired gate should be in place by early March. Vista Estate's insurance company (Liberty Mutual) is covering all of the cost except for a \$250 deductible. The deductible may end up getting paid by the other party's insurance company.
- ***2020 budget:*** Bob explained the projected 2020 budget, as well previous years' budgets. (A copy of the budget is included in this newsletter.) Current dues don't completely cover projected expenses because dues were not raised for 10 years and are still not in line with current costs.
- ***Drone survey:*** Brenda asked Irene Nash to come up with a letter to homeowners so that all households could participate in a formal vote on how to handle drone activity in Vista Estates.
- ***Security concerns:*** In January homeowners asked about reports of people camping near the highway near or on Skyland Ranch property. Some people who investigated found just an old sleeping bag and no sign of a significant established camp.
- ***Emailing invoices:*** Bob Rossi expressed his request to start sending out homeowner dues invoices by email rather than direct mail, which would be cheaper and take less time. It was decided to wait until after the March 2020 dues invoices in order to let people know what to expect and give them time to update their email addresses, if necessary.

The Spring Walk-Through is Coming Up in April!

In order to maintain property values in Vista Estates, the Architectural Control Committee (ACC) does a walk-through twice a year. The spring walk-through will be performed in April. It is the role of the ACC Committee to ensure our neighborhood remains a beautiful place to live and all CC&R's are being followed.

Propane tanks: Please note that if your propane tank is visible from the street it needs to be shielded by greenery or a fence. Thank you!

We hope everyone had a wonderful holiday season and is ready for some warm spring weather. If you haven't already, please take down any Christmas lights that may still be on your house.

A copy of our CC&R's can be found on our website under "Document Library".

www.VistaEstatesHOA.org

Please Update Your Email Address With the HOA

Do we have your best email address? Please use the Contact form on the Vista Estates website (www.VistaEstatesHOA.org) to send it to us, or email it to info@vistaestateshoa.org.

Join Your Neighbors at the Next HOA Meeting!

As a Vista Estates homeowner, you are invited to participate and vote at all homeowner association meetings. Your input is needed to keep our HOA diverse and current with the needs for all homeowners. Meet new and existing neighbors and keep up with changes. Please consider helping out by volunteering as an HOA member!

Here are the dates of this year's meetings:

March 16, 2020 --- June 15, 2020 --- August 10, 2020 --- October 12, 2020

All meetings begin at 7:00 pm at Fire District 26, Station 54, 42013 Highway 2, Gold Bar.

Positions on the HOA Board are filled by homeowners on a volunteer basis. Things like the damage to Gate 2 and dealing with insurance companies, gate repair people, etc., take an enormous amount of personal time. (Homeowner and Treasurer Bob Rossi handles all gate issues and all Vista Estates accounting at no charge.)

Please respect the privacy of the board members and their families and avoid calling or making house visits. We would be more than happy to answer your questions and listen to your comments at the HOA meetings.

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<u>VISTA ESTATES HOA 2020 OPERATING BUDGET</u>					
EXPENSE CATEGORY					BUDGET AMOUNT
BANK FEES					0
CLEANING AND MAINTENANCE					0
INSURANCE					\$2,000.00
LANDSCAPING					\$7,000.00
LEGAL AND PROFESSIONAL FEES					\$2,000.00
LICENSES AND PERMITS					\$400.00
OTHER EXPENSES					
POSTAGE AND DELIVERY					\$250.00
REPAIRS					
GATE REPAIR					\$5,500.00
REPAIRS-OTHER					\$2,500.00
SUPPLIES					\$1,950.00 *
UTILITIES					<u>\$600.00</u>
TOTAL EXPENSES					\$22,200.00
VISTA ESTATES BOARD OF DIRECTORS					
APPROVED OCT 14, 2019					
*supplies include safety, taxes, misc, hospitality					
note: expense catagories now based on buildium income and expense report					