

WINDING BROOK NEWS January 2018

From the Board. Welcome to the frigid New Year! The weather reminds us not to argue with Mother Nature – so please keep your thermostat at 60-65 degrees, and run a trickle of water from faucets near outside lines. No one wants frozen pipes!

Snow removal: be assured that we are working with Tempo and C&H to improve the salting and plowing schedule.

Update: Keeping Dogs On Leash:



Some of you have called the City of Bloomington **Animal Control** to report a dog off-leash, only to be told that, unless the dog has bitten someone, the City can do nothing, because the Woodlands is private property. Board President Cindy Johnson spoke with Jim Pritchard of Animal Control to discuss the issue. They propose the following solution: **Animal Control will patrol our neighborhood and cite any dog owners whose dogs they see off-leash. A citation could include a fine from the city, and further action for multiple citations.**

Please note: Animal Control cannot detain a dog they see off-leash in the

Woodlands, but they can cite the owner. If you see a dog running loose in the Woodlands, you may call Animal Control with the information you have (e.g., description of dog, name and address of owner) and ask them to make a note of it. You should also report what you saw to a Board member. Animal Control should be called if a dog bites a person or another dog. Remember, they will not come out unless a dog bite has occurred.

Reminder: Woodlands rules follow Bloomington City Code in specifying that dogs must be on-leash *and* under the control of their owner or “minder” whenever they are outdoors on Woodlands property. For everyone’s safety, please keep dogs on-leash when exercising them.

Questions? Contact the HOA Board:
hoa@woodlandshoa.net

Woodlands Website.



Susan Seitzinger, our new website administrator, has worked with Elizabeth Starr and Jeanette Clausen as an ad hoc website committee since November. At the Jan. 11 meeting, Susan demonstrated improvements she has made to our website. The links now work. Content has been updated, corrected and reorganized. A new map of the Woodlands property will be posted soon. Check the site out at:

www.woodlandshoa.net

Also at the meeting, Susan and the committee were appointed officially,

and the mission statement that Susan had drafted was approved:

The mission of the Woodlands HOA website committee is to provide a platform to support the residents of The Woodlands through transparent, timely and easily accessible information that encourages a sense of community and upholds the values of good citizenship, safe, peaceful, tolerant living practices, and sustainability. We accomplish this through clear, up-to-date information in a pleasing to the eye format.

Great job, Susan!

Visit the website and send feedback to the committee.

Parking.



At the Jan. 11 meeting, Jeanette summarized information that the Buildings and Grounds Committee sent to the board in November. As you know, each homeowner has one assigned parking space, whether they have a garage or not. Homeowners who have more than one vehicle but no garage can park in a vacant visitor space, but it can be difficult to find one near your unit. Aran Mordoh (unit 2393) collected the following information. The Woodlands has:

- 66 units (14 buildings)
- 59 visitor parking spaces
- 42 garages (33 residents have garages)

Residents of buildings 1, 2, and 3 on the Circle have the fewest visitor spaces. Those with more than one vehicle often have problems finding a second parking spot close to their unit. The B&G report, authored by Aran with input from other residents, suggests a range of possible short-term solutions:

- issue parking permits, at a cost of \$10 per month, to residents who need a second assigned space.
- since the Circle has the fewest visitor spots, make an exception for them, giving units with 2 or more cars/drivers a second assigned spot.
- shift the circle assigned spots over, to allow for more visitor spots in front of/near to buildings 1, 2, and 3.
- re-number all the spaces to allow for 78 assigned spots and 47 visitor spots, so that more residents could have two assigned spots.

B&G will discuss this issue further at our Jan. 22 meeting. Comments? Email Jeanette (jaycee0740@gmail.com) or Aran (mordoh@gmail.com)

Let there be light: Better lighting would make it safer to walk from a distant parking space to units on the Circle.



Duke Energy has been contacted about installing a new light between units 2395 & 2394 (buildings 1 & 2). HOA and Tempo are following up with them. We hope for timely action on this important safety issue.