

## MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

Welcome to our Summer Newsletter! While we have issued impromptu newsletters in the past, this year we are committed to keeping community members informed with formal, regular quarterly newsletters. The objective is to share past and upcoming community work and projects, news and safety information, and social events. Given this is a new initiative, we are keen to hear your feedback on what information you'd like to see more (or less!) of, so we can ensure it is adding value!

We had a wonderful turnout at the AGM in April. The energetic meeting was filled with enthusiastic discussions on a wide variety of topics – from community enhancements to safety and security insights. Our new Board was also elected in the meeting.

Thank you to outgoing members, Ariane, Travis, and Darren. We appreciate your commitment to the community and all the initiatives you supported in your time on the Board. You can see profiles of all Board members on our newly refreshed community website.

As I reflect on the last few months, I am thrilled at the progress we have made so far, and excited to see what more we will accomplish over the year. The warmer weather and sunny skies encourage all of us to get outside and we hope to see you at our Summer Happy Hour on July 15.

Alexis Vince



Above: Photo Storm Water Management Area

## HOMEOWNER SURVEY RESULTS

Thank you to the 44% of you that completed the homeowner survey! Your feedback shaped our 2023 priorities and community enhancements. 77% of you expressed overall satisfaction with the community (with a score of 3.85/5). That said, we have work to do and this was evident by the satisfaction scores for community enhancements (scoring 2.88/5), maintenance of common areas (3.35/5) and landscaping (3.46/5) – we heard you! As you read the updates in this newsletter, you will see a focus on improvements in these key areas, as they were also the areas that scored the highest for overall importance to everyone.

We will send out another survey at the end of 2023 to help shape the 2024 work - please make sure to use this as a platform to share your feedback or identify any additional areas you think should be a priority for your Board to tackle!

Reach out if you have any other questions about the survey!

## COMMUNITY EVENTS

**Community Social Events** had the highest satisfaction expressed in the homeowner survey, scoring 3.88/5.

- **Spring Clean-Up**
  - Thank you to everyone who came out for the community clean up! This was our largest turnout yet and we finished the work much faster than anticipated
- **Upcoming: Annual Summer Happy Hour on July 15**
  - Full details are included in the last page of this newsletter



Above: Photos from our Spring Clean-up

### COMMUNITY PROJECTS

The Board has made excellent progress on a number of community enhancements that have been informed by the homeowner survey. You can watch the progress throughout the summer. Below are some photos of the work!

- **Stormwater management area restoration** (#1 top priority project expressed by homeowners, with 38% of votes)
  - The liner has been removed and the area will be top soiled and seeded as soon as the weather allows for it.
- **Community front entrance sign** (15% votes for desired top priority project)
  - Upgraded lights were installed and additional river rock will be placed later this summer.
- **Common Area Landscaping** (12% votes for desired top priority project)
  - We engaged a contractor to assist in additional landscaping according to our County approved community plan.
- **Maintenance of common areas**
  - The gazebo, picnic table, bridge & electrical box have been painted.
  - Watch for our **new community firepit** to be added near the gazebo this summer!
  - We are currently obtaining quotes for repairs to the pathways.

Watch for more exciting updates in our next newsletter!



Above: Photos from before and after completed painting

### WHAT'S NEW

#### Community Bulletin Board

- There is a new, unlocked bulletin board by the mailboxes for homeowners to post information about services offered, items for sale or if you are searching for services.

#### Vendor List

- Are you looking for a vendor for snow removal, pest control or other services the HOA may be using? Reach out to the Board for contact information.

#### Gophers and Ground Squirrels

- This is the second year we have invested in pest control in common areas in the community and we are seeing excellent results! Check out the insert to find out more about the common pests in our area. Maintaining proper control of pests require the support of everyone in the community!

### REMINDERS

- The community **speed limit is 50 KM/hour**; please ensure you are observing this at all times.
- **Dogs** should be on a leash in the community common areas and are not allowed to run lose in the community. Pick up poop around the pathways - bags are provided.
- **Culverts and the ditches** are the property of Rocky View County. Please ensure that no personal property is placed in them for their proper maintenance.
- **Audited financial statements** are available for homeowners. Please contact the Board for a copy.
- Keep your eyes peeled to our mailbox bulletin boards, website, Facebook & Instagram for the latest news and events and how you can get involved!

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# Bearspaw Country Estates



## Summer Social

Join us for drinks, snacks, and fun with neighbours!

SATURDAY, JULY 15TH  
2 - 4 PM

RSVP to: [social@bearspawcountryestates.com](mailto:social@bearspawcountryestates.com)