The Good Life...

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Lots to Read and Do!

Meeting Calendar Meetings are open to all residents.

Finance Committee Wednesday, Oct 14 – 4:00 Wednesday, Nov 11 – 4:00

Architectural Review Board Wednesday, Oct 14 – 4:00 pm Wednesday, Nov 11 – 4:00 pm

Maintenance Committee Tuesday, Oct 13 – 4:00 pm

Board of Directors Tuesday, Oct 20 – 6:30 pm Tuesday, Nov 17– 6:30 pm

Welcome Committee

Resident Activities Committee

Event Calendar Please mark your calendars

2021 Budget Hearing Monday, Oct 12 – 7:00 pm

2021 Annual Hearing Wednesday, Oct 28 – 7:00 pm

OFFICE HOURS

Monday- Friday 9 am – 4 pm Or by appointment

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Current News

2021 Budget Hearing

The proposed budget for 2021 will be presented. This is your opportunity to hear about the Association plans for next year. **Monday, October 12, 2020**

7:00 pm

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2020 Annual Meeting

This meeting of the membership will provide an overview of the past year and an update on the status of the Association.

> Wednesday, October 28, 2020 7:00 pm

Please mark your calendar. Both meetings will be virtual. Meeting materials will be provided to you in advance.

Insurance Coverage

At their August 28th meeting, the Board of Directors approved the recommendation of the Finance Committee to renew our insurance coverage through Ansay. Our new policy is effective September 1, 2020 and provides us with a slightly lower annual premium. There is no change to the \$10,000 deductible for our property insurance. A \$25,000 per occurrence deductible for wind and hail damage has been included in the new policy. The attached document will provide you with more detail.

Activities & Events



TAM LUNCH PICNIC THURSDAY, OCTOBER 15, 2020 11:30 WALNUT GROVE PARK SHELTER

Join neighbors and friends for the final Tam Picnic Lunch of the season. Future lunches will depend on

required safety protocols for indoor gatherings.

REMEMBER:

1. Bring your own lunch and a chair. (A few picnic tables are available)

2. Safety measures will be observed.

For Questions: Maryanne Huttleston (608) 347-2675 maryanne@hddesign.com

ALL ARE WELCOME!

Referendum

Residents who have already received their November absentee ballots indicated that they might want to return those ballots prior to school district referendum information meeting on September 29. Thus, attached to this email you will find information relative to the referendum questions. In addition, some have noted that there is a presidential debate also on the 29th. We'll make every effort to complete the information portion of the September 29 session by 7:15 pm., to enable you to attend the session and also to access the debates. Thanks for your interest in this important issue not only for us, but most importantly for our schools and students. Here is the Zoom link for the session. This link will also be sent to you again on the 29th. Thank you! Dean Ryerson

Topic: Tamarack Trails MMSD Information Meeting Time: Sep 29, 2020 06:30 PM Central Time (US and Canada) Join Zoom Meeting

https://us02web.zoom.us/j/85678446540?pwd=QWNoYXZyL2dZVUV4cFZsTIREa05pQT09

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Democracy in the Park

Special Absentee Ballot Drop-Off Event

9:00 AM – 3:00 PM, Saturday, October 3.

In the case of inclement weather, the event will be held Sunday, October 4.

The City of Madison will have poll workers in 206 neighborhood parks throughout the city to register voters and to accept delivery of absentee ballots. They can also serve as a witness.

Head over to Walnut Grove Park at 202 N. Westfield or Haen Family Park at 7702 Tree Lane. Look for poll workers from Tamarack and our neighborhood next to a "Vote" yard sign. They will

Your ballot will be taken to the City Clerk's Office in a sealed courier bag. It will be delivered to your polling place for processing on Election Day. On November 3rd, poll workers will record the receipt of your envelope in the pollbook and will feed your ballot into the tabulator to be counted.

Voters may verify their registration, polling place, sample ballot, and absentee ballot status at:

<u>myvote.wi.gov</u>

be wearing high visibility safety vests and face masks.

Seasonal Reminders & Projects

Slow down on trails and watch for pedestrians

Please slow down when driving on trails in Tamarack. As we approach Autumn, we are losing daylight. The sun rises later and sets earlier than it did in summer. This makes visibility of pedestrians and dog walkers difficult.

In Tamarack we do not have sidewalks so cars and pedestrians must share the road. Please slow down to avoid accidents.

Group Furnace Inspections

We are working on a group furnace inspection for Tamarack residents. RA Heating will perform a furnace cleaning/yearly inspection for a discounted rate. A minimum of 10 residents must sign up for this offering to move forward. The discounted rate is \$96.00 plus tax. Price does not include highly efficient filters. If interested in participating, please email Jean.Hilgers@tamaracktrails.com or contact the Tamarack office at 833-1615. Deadline for signing up is October 10th.

Board and Committee Business

Nomination and Election News

The 2020 Nominations and Elections Committee (NEC) has authorized three members to stand for election to the Board of Directors. The NEC is comprised of Harry Miles, Joan Lerman, and Jean Allen. Board liaison is Amy Kell.

>This year's nominees are:

Janet Hirsch. 7311 Cedar Creek George Meyer. 201 Randolph Drive James Steinbach. 19 Mountain Ash

The final agenda, proxy, and a ballot with information about voting procedures along with candidate biographical information will be distributed to all residents two weeks prior to the meeting. All ballots must be turned in to the Tamarack office by the end of the business day on Monday October 26, 2020. The Annual Meeting of Members and the Election of Directors is scheduled for Wednesday, October 28, 2020. This will be a zoom meeting. Information on the zoom meeting will be included with ballot information that you will receive later in October.

Tamarack News and Tidbits

Clubhouse News

Great news! The installation of the new clubhouse deck is scheduled for completion by October 1st. With a granite-look appearance, the surface will provide increased slip-resistance. The water leaks into the clubhouse will be eliminated and maintenance time will be reduced. Stop by and check it out.

Following Public Health Madison & Dane County guidelines, the clubhouse is available for groups of 10 or less. The users will be required to observe all social distancing requirements and mask mandates that are in effect. **Currently, masks are required inside the clubhouse**.

Individuals and groups will be responsible for sanitizing and disinfecting surfaces before and after their use. When making reservations, please include time for sanitizing and disinfecting before and after your event. Sanitizing supplies, including hand sanitizer, will be available.

These policies will be in effect until further notice.

Health & Wellness at Tamarack

Concerned about an isolated and indoor winter? Do not let the COVID-19 restrictions get you down. We got you covered.

Ryan Hahm from our staff is finishing his Bachelor of Science degree in Health and Wellness Management at UW-LaCrosse. His school's program has provided him with extensive knowledge regarding managing comprehensive well-being programs that foster healthier lifestyles and promote the value of staying well, in a variety of settings. He is doing his fall semester internship at Tamarack. His goal is to increase our health and wellness and to minimize the negative effects of cold weather isolation.

In the next several months, Ryan will be developing virtual programs and events to support and empower everyone at Tamarack to make healthy decisions and encourage safe connections with our neighbors. In the near future, watch for a survey in your physical or virtual mailbox.

Note that Ryan's internship work is outside of his responsibilities with Tamarack Maintenance. Please respect this separation.

Large Item Collection

Residents may use city services for collection of large items that don't fit in Waste Management trash carts. Large items include appliances, furniture, carpeting, mattresses, plumbing fixtures (toilets, sinks), bicycles, pianos, etc. Basically, these are items that are too large to be lifted by a single person. They are not oversized cardboard boxes or extra household trash that cannot fit into an overstuffed refuse cart. Large items must be placed at the curb on Millstone Road, Randolph Drive, Tree Lane, or Westfield Road by 7:00 AM every other Wednesday. The pickup date alternates with city recycling collection.

The remaining large item collection dates in 2020 are: 9/30, 10/14, 10/28, 11/11, 11/25, 12/9, and 12/23. Printable schedules for 2020 and 2021 can be found on the Streets and Recycling website: <u>https://www.cityofmadison.com/streets/</u>.

The city requires that a fee sticker be attached to appliances and other items left at the curb such as fluorescent light fixtures, microwave ovens, and gas grills. Televisions and computers (including laptops and monitors) must not be placed at the curb. These items must be taken to city drop-off sites. Please see the Streets and Recycling website for information about purchasing stickers online, by US mail, or by phone. Please pay attention to the city's pick-up schedule and do not place items out more than a day in advance.

Food Pantry Update

Please remember: The Tamarack/Lussier Food Pantry continues to depend on your support.

Dee Seyfarth - Tamarack Trails/Lussier Center Food Pantry Coordinator