# HIGH DESERT ESTATES NEWSLETTER



# By the Community, for the Community

ecently, the HOA had a water valve fail which caused some of HDE to be without water for several hours, the failure was noticed very soon after it occurred and our Water Master was on the job immediately after being notified, he made adjustments to bring a short term fix and then went to work on the root cause of the problem. It was during this repair that he was approached by a home owner who was less than courteous, if not downright out of line in his interaction with the Water Master who was making the repair alone and late at night. It is never acceptable to be disrespectful of HDE staff, we are all volunteers who fill these rolls out of a sense of responsibility to our community, nobody is a paid employee of HDE, were it not for volunteers our monthly dues would likely triple or even quadruple, and we would not be administered by your neighbors but by some business in Portland. If you have an issue with your water you can call Allen, if he doesn't answer, leave him a message as he is likely already working on the issue, any other concerns and you can call me or any other board member.

If you do see HDE staff working on a problem, it's ok to ask for an ETA, better yet, ask if there is anything that you can do to help. If you feel that you can do the job better, please come to a monthly HOA meeting and volunteer your services, we just might take you up on it. Our Treasurer Christine Burk will be working this month with three ladies to implement a notification program to alert homeowners of disruption of water services.

## **Board Meeting Summary**

All regular board meetings are held at 4 PM at HOA Office 5980 SE Jerry Drive

Presented by:

Mike Kruskopf **Board President** 

**UPCOMING BOARD MEETING** 

October 10 November 14

- Effective with your November 1, 2024 bill, there will be a \$5.00 a month increase in your water bill you receive. Our last increase was two years ago. This increase will help contribute to our Reserve Savings Fund for future problems or improvements, such as the recent purchase of the red Dodge Service truck and the snow plow and tool boxes.
- The holidays are right around the corner! Last December we had our first **neighborhood lighted parade** of decorated ATVs and vehicles. We would love to have the parade again and encourage more neighbors to join in. If you have any suggestions regarding this, please email the Board at hdehoa172@gmail.com. Look for more information in next month's newsletter!
- Your Board has approved two new Resolutions regarding the fee increase and establishing an implementation of fines in the event of a homeowner violating any of the Bylaws or CC&R's and not responding to letters sent from the Board advising them of the violation.
- By the time you read this newsletter, our new garage up behind the office should be completed to house our Dodge Service truck and the snowplow. Thank you HDEHOA!! Look out winter, here we come!

## **Coming Events**

**Backflow Device testing** By Burris Plumbing October 8th, 9th & 10th

**Neighborhood Lighted Holiday Parade** Date TBD

### Join Our Facebook Group 📑



**Our PRIVATE Facebook** group is growing! Limited to homeowners in High Desert Estates, with the purpose of better communication

between neighbors. JOIN US!

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We have four drop off sites here in our HOA for your water bill payments or any correspondence, and they are as follows: The office at 5980 SE Jerry Drive, black postal box on the home at 4830 SE Jerry Drive, the cistern at the top of the hill on McKenzie Place off of David Way, and at the black postal box on the home at 5060 SE Davis Loop.