

## **Spring Newsletter**

The March 9, 2017 AHHA Board meeting was canceled due to a miscommunication in scheduling. The next AHHA Board meeting will be April 13, 2017 at the Silverton Senior Center at 7:00 PM.

Regardless of the cancellation of the Board meeting a lot has been happening in the neighborhood in a very short time.

The AHHA Board acquired the web address abiquaheights.org and a new website has been developed. The new website can be viewed at either abiquaheights.org or abiquaheights.com. Your comments, corrections, and/or suggestions for the new website are welcome.

At the end of this newsletter you will find an updated neighborhood directory. It has been several years since an updated directory has been made available. Those members wishing that their contact information would be kept private are only listed with their name. The directory can be downloaded and printed but please remember that it is intended exclusively for members of the AHHA community.

In the past few days twenty of the original trees in the Commons received deep root fertilization. This is an effort to keep the trees in the Commons as healthy as possible; the mowing and leaf removal hinders a natural source of nutrients for the trees. It is hoped that the AHHA budget will have the funds to fertilize a different group of trees next year.

Earlier this year the Board contracted with DeSantis Landscape to maintain the Commons, replacing Prograss. DeSantis has visited the Commons twice recently to weed and clean up the beds in the

Commons as well as maintain the stairway between Shelokum and Chee Chee. They have not yet mowed the Commons because it has been mutually agreed upon that the Commons has been too wet to mow. It would seem that DeSantis is very interested in the quality of their work. In addition they installed the pet waste station at no cost to the association.

The pet waste station appears to be a successful endeavor as the amount of dog waste on the paths and grass areas seems to be in decline.

The Amenities Committee is proceeding with plans to paint lines on the basketball court. In addition the prospect for a hopscotch course on the cement pad is a likely reality. Two or three new benches are also budgeted for the Commons with exact locations TBD.

Like almost everyone in Abiqua Heights the Pond Improvement team is waiting for the rains to stop. The Commons is so saturated and the forecast for more rain continues leading to another postponement of the project until late summer. The AHHA is looking to drain the pond in August and have excavation in September.

The next ARC meeting will be April 10 at 7:00 PM, so if you have projects needing approval you have a couple of weeks. Both the address of the meeting and the form to submit to the ARC can be found on the website. New guidelines for re-roofing are also available on the website.

The Board would like to thank the community for their increased level of participation in the last year and would like to encourage others to volunteer. The commitment of time and energy from volunteers both saves money and increases the feeling of community in Abiqua Heights.

Comments, suggestions, and/or complaints can be sent to the Board by emailing board@abiquaheights.com.

Planning Meeting Notes – Draft

2017 Members Directory

New AHHA Website