

The Elkhorn Bugler

HOA Newsletter

April 2022



Board Meeting Highlights

- Discussions of how to proceed with potential covenants covering apartment structures.
- Incorporating a park in the development.
- Creating a more user friendly website.

We appreciate the assistance of Karen Lee in this endeavor. **Be sure to check it out!**

Spearfish Meeting Updates

The City of Spearfish had several public meetings which indirectly impact our community. Several residents turned out for a planning commission meeting to express concerns of no community park and possible traffic issues in regard the zone change to accommodate multifamily structures. (cont. next page)



Reminder: Please remember to place your trash can out of sight unless it's pickup day, per covenants....**also, city code requires all trash to be placed in a bag (not loose) in the container!** This is particularly important on windy Spring days.

meet your
Neighbor

Ron & Judy Smith returned to SD in 2018 after 10 years of retirement in Gig Harbor, WA. The couple met while both working in Rapid City in the '70's. Ron, a former city planner in TX, enjoys biking, hiking and watching his alma mater, SDSU, play football and basketball. He has also taken up golfing again after a long hiatus! Judy worked in the telecommunications field for 24 years while in TX and now spends time sewing, reading and plotting their next road trip. Ron & Judy share their home with their lovable Bichon Frise, Albert. The Smith's live on Brooks Loop.

Next Board Meeting:
*Tentatively Scheduled
for May 4, 2022*

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Golf Course Commentary

Golf course management is working to better inform their golfing clientele to be respectful of private property. Included on signage and in a pamphlet is the following:

The golf course property extends to the white out of bounds markers. Land beyond these stakes is private property. Players may not play from beyond the OB stakes. Please respect private property and quickly locate and pick up your ball. Bring it back to the golf course before playing a shot using the "local out of bounds rule". Golfers are liable for all damage caused to private property while playing. Please notify the golf shop of any damage to our equipment or to private property.

As residents, we should be accommodating and understanding as possible. Please refer to the covenants in regard to signage and golf course issues.

(Spearfish Meeting Updates) Although both of these items were approved by Spearfish City Council (3/21/22 and 4/4/22), the City planner indicated our concerns were brought to the attention of SD State DOT as they work on a plan for Hwy 85/Colorado/St. Onge Rd intersection as well as the Exit 17 interchange with respect to Duke Parkway. The City indicated the County will need to address issues in regard to St. Onge Road. On 4/7, a Lawrence County Public Hearing on the Colorado Boulevard study is scheduled. Elkhorn Ridge is also working on identifying an area for a community park.

Volunteers Make Everything Better

We are looking for individuals to 'adopt' common area islands within the development to help with weed control and general maintenance. Currently there are three areas that are not taken care of by the City: one near St. Onge Rd, one at the end of Drake Court and one on Duke Parkway. Please email hoaehr@gmail.com if you would like to help in this way!

Landscape Ideas/Tips

In between the April snow/rain showers, is a great time to start yard cleanup for spring! Cut perennial ornamental grasses back leaving approximately 1/3 of



the plant and the flower stalks to just a few inches from the ground so the new growth can start making a show in May. Setting your mower to the lowest setting with bag attachment to closely trim and pick up winter's dead grass from your yard will encourage a healthy start to a green lawn. If need be, rent a power rake or contact a local landscape company. Check for any broken branches that need to be removed from shrubs and trees.

Spring Clean Up" days are April 22-24!

This weekend the fees are waived for residential disposal of all acceptable items. See <https://www.cityofspearfish.com/392/Spring-Fall-Clean-Up> for a list of all items accepted!



Thank you for being part of our community

Miller Creek Pub



Starting Friday, April 1st the pub is open **Wed-Sat till 8pm!** Join us for Easter Brunch, 9am-2pm.

Let's Plant a Garden!

Interested in renting a garden bed? Located near the development office, the fenced community garden area is host to 8 beds, approximately 8x12. Experienced and novice gardeners welcome! Beds cost \$30 and can be reserved by emailing jr@golfelkhorn.com.