

ANNUAL ASSESSMENT DUE

To avoid interest accrual and fees, be sure to pay your annual assessment by midnight on March 31st. We are happy to report there was *no* increase in the 2021 assessment from 2020. Payments are made through our management company, HOAMCO, who send invoices via email or USPS, depending on what you have set up with them. It is important that SLPPOA and HOAMCO have up-to-date contact information for you, so please keep us apprised of any changes to your email or mailing address.

If needed, it is possible to set up a payment plan to take care of your annual assessment. For assistance with this, please contact board treasurer, Jeremy Oepping at treasurer1@slppoa.org.



LANET PROVIDING INTERNET OPTIONS

Internet options in Sierra los Pinos have been mostly limited to satellite providers until now. Los Alamos Network (LaNet) is in the process of bringing high-speed internet service to our community. They are currently in the process of connecting homes with line-of-sight to their antenna. Those who have been connected are reporting good speeds and reliable service. The ISP is expecting delivery of equipment, hopefully in April, to allow connections for those without line-of-sight. For more information, please contact LaNet at info@losalamosnetwork.com.

WELCOMING NEW BOARD MEMBERS

During a special election held in November 2020, three board members were added to fill vacant seats and two appointed members were officially voted in. Welcome Keith Rigney as the new Vice President and Paul Rightley as board member covering legal issues. We also welcome back Geraldine Burnworth as Secretary. Josh Toennis (Architectural Control) and Ann Cooke (Firewise) were also “officially” added to the board. John Hines, SLPPOA Water Operator, was added as a special, non-voting, board member to report on matters of the water system. We thank everyone who volunteers to serve on the board for their time.

JOIN A BOARD MEETING VIA ZOOM

Regular meetings of the SLPPOA board of directors are held the second Tuesday of each month at 6:30 p.m. Until COVID restrictions are lifted, all meetings are held virtually via the Zoom platform. All SLPPOA members are welcome and encouraged to attend the meetings. To be added to the invitation list, please email president1@slppoa.org.

Once we are able to meet again in person, the board has determined to continue offering meetings through Zoom, as well, to allow for participation from members who may live outside of SLP.

MARK YOUR CALENDARS
For the 2021 ANNUAL MEETING

The annual meeting of the Sierra los Pinos Property Owners' Association is currently planned for Saturday, September 11th. COVID restrictions in place at the time will determine whether we are able to host a live meeting or a Zoom meeting. Meeting times will be determined closer to the event. If we are able to host a live meeting, we would like to incorporate a BBQ or some other entertainment activity. Stay tuned for more info!

SNOW REMOVAL FOR 2021-2022

As we wind up the 2020-2021 snow season, it might seem too early to think about next season. Not so, as we put out a call for proposals to provide snow removal services this coming winter season. If you or someone you know might be interested in providing those services, please contact board member, Dave Stuedell, our roads coordinator at roads1@slppoa.org. We would like to have all proposals by the end of June to allow the board time for review and follow-up with proposers before executing a contract.

TRACKING WATER USAGE



SLPPOA's water metering system not only measures the amount of water each household uses, it has the ability to alert us to potential leaks at that household. Once the monthly report has been taken and reviewed, SLPPOA water operator, John Hines, will contact anyone with a leak flag.

While it is the homeowner's responsibility to correct any leaks occurring between the meter and the home, as well as inside the home, Hines can assist in locating the leaks. Hines has been working with homeowners for the past six months and your efforts, along with his assistance, have resulted in a significant drop in leakage in our water system!

Every SLPPOA homeowner has the ability to access their water usage on the SLPPOA website at slppoa.org. To determine a property's individual water usage, first determine your water meter endpoint #. If you look at your water meter, the endpoint # should be stamped on top of the transmitter and on a tag hanging from the transmitter wire. *Use caution around the transmitter wire for your meter as it can be easily broken.*

If you have trouble determining your endpoint #, contact John at water1@slppoa.org, for assistance.

Then, take that endpoint # and go to the slppoa.org website and log into your account. Click on the tab "Water" and then the sub-tab "Usage," bringing up the "Anonymous Usage Reports" for each month. To find the amount of water being used per month at your residence, you would then locate your endpoint # number on the list. Meters are typically read on or about the first day of every month and the usage numbers are posted monthly.

ARCHITECTURAL CONTROL COMMITTEE SEEKING A VOLUNTEER

The architectural control committee is looking for one additional volunteer to join them. Duties include reviewing member-submitted applications to determine whether the proposed structure is a good architectural fit for the community. Structures typically reviewed by the committee include garages, sheds, fences and decks. For more information about this volunteer position, please contact Josh Toennis at architectural1@slppoa.org.

FIREWISE ADVICE AVAILABLE

As we come up on wildfire season, it is time to consider fire mitigation on our properties within Sierra los Pinos. If you aren't sure where to start, our Firewise coordinator, Ann Cooke, is happy to assist. For questions about creating a safe perimeter around your home, tree and brush removal or other related issues, contact Ann at firewise1@slppoa.org.



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