



**Old Cutters Homeowners Association, Inc.**  
*Hailey, Idaho*  
**Community Newsletter**  
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***Greetings Old Cutters neighbors!***

On behalf of the Board of Directors, I send wishes to all of you for a happy and healthy year ahead. We hope those of you who enjoy winter sports are having a fabulous season, and those who are already longing for spring have found a good book or two to get lost in while viewing our winter wonderland from the comfort of your home.

This newsletter will catch you up on Board and committee activities, news around the community, and a couple of safety issues of concern that neighbors have asked to be shared with everyone.

Our thanks to Craig Aberbach for this beautiful shot of winter fun in Old Cutters.

A special welcome to our new Old Cutters neighbors!

Respectfully Submitted:

*Christine Ferguson*

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Board of Directors, Secretary

## *Landscape and Common Areas Update*



In late fall, the return ditches were mowed and dead foliage removed by Whitehead and John Campbell. The Association is responsible for removing any debris that might restrict water flow. While we would like to be able to *pull* the cattails and/ or cut into their root balls, we cannot take the chance of damaging the ditch liner. Using chemical to kill

the foliage is not a consideration for obvious reasons. We hope that cutting each fall as part of regular maintenance will begin to kill off the reeds.



John Campbell took on two other fall maintenance projects. He patched the holes in the one footbridge damaged some time ago by a horse. John considered this a temporary solution to fix the safety issue and advised that replacement floor boards will need to be laid in the spring. John also inspected the high ditch, looking for any debris that needed to be removed.

## *Landscape Contract*

We reported to you at the annual meeting that the Landscape Committee had created a RFP (*request for proposal*) for a new three-year contract for our common area Landscape maintenance. **PioneerWest Management Company** solicited bids from three companies but only **Whitehead Landscaping and Greenscape Lawn & Garden** submitted proposals.

The Board of Directors compared the prices and services offered by both companies and made the decision to award the new contract to Greenscape.

Greenscape offered us lower hourly rates for routine maintenance and the benefit of having an arborist on staff that will oversee the care of our beloved trees. Chip Mayle, the company's owner was very interested in having Old Cutters as a client and personally walked the subdivision with Craig Aberbach before submitting his proposal.

## *Snow Removal*



**PioneerWest Management Company** also solicited bids from **Whitehead Landscaping and Greenscape Lawn & Garden** for snow removal.

Greenscape was awarded the snow removal contract as well the landscape contract.

The Board asked PioneerWest to obtain a bid from

Greenscape for the clearing of our sidewalks. We estimated an additional cost of \$4000 or more, for an average winter snowfall sidewalk clearing. This substantial number was not included in the 2019 budget and for that reason we did not move ahead with this action.

Sidewalk snow removal will be a discussion for the 2020 budget. In the meantime, we thank the many good neighbors that clear the sidewalks in front of their homes and common areas. A special thanks to Pat Buchanan and Craig Aberbach for going the extra mile in clearing San Badger and the park!

## *Dog Waste Disposal*



Late this fall a third dog waste disposal station was installed on Myrtle across from the intersection of San Badger.

We hope our many visitors are making use of it!

## Good Neighbor Practices



### STRING LIGHTS ON BALCONIES

Many Old Cutters homeowners have their balconies lit with string lights in the evening and overnight.

In support of our valley's dark sky effort, we ask that homeowners *turn off the lights each evening no later than 11 pm.*



### SLOW DOWN AND ENJOY THE VIEW

I have received numerous requests to ask homeowners and their guests to slow down when driving the streets in Old Cutters.

Cars traveling down Myrtle, passing the cottages and turning onto San Badger are the primary offenders and vehicles leaving the park traveling out of the subdivision are also moving way too fast. We realize many of the offenders are visitors and not neighbors - - *give them the stink eye and hand signal to suggest they slow down!*



### SNOWMOBILING IN OLD CUTTERS

I have also received numerous requests to inform new homeowners and renters that snowmobiling is not allowed in Old

Cutters OR on Hailey city properties.

This affects the north end of Old Cutters more than those at the south; that is snowmobiles who think that these undeveloped lots and open backyards are a great place to run in circles.

## Old Cutters Board of Directors & Committees

### 2019 Board Members:

John Campbell, President  
Beau Burks, Vice President  
Christine Ferguson, Secretary

### 2018 Design Review Committee

John Campbell - *Architect of Record*  
Erin Buell  
Suzanne Buchanan  
Kelly Malone  
Megan Burks

The Design Review Committee is in the process of reviewing the current guidelines and protocol relating to architectural design and approval processes. Any updates and changes will be shared with members in the spring newsletter.

### 2019 Landscape Committee

Craig Aberbach, *Chair*

## Property Management Company

PioneerWest Property Management LLC holds the current contract for the Old Cutters HOA property management. Contracts are for a period of one year.

Their responsibilities include all administration services for the HOA including but not limited to accounting, new buyer introduction packets, maintenance of our website portal, CC&R enforcement, property inspections.

If you have a CC&R complaint, contact Diane Renfro at PioneerWest.

The PioneerWest website has a portal specific to the Old Cutters Association. This site includes information that pertains to the Association such as insurance policies, CC&R's, By-laws, owner information, budgets, minutes and financials.

Go to [www.pioneerwestsunvalley.com](http://www.pioneerwestsunvalley.com) to access the website and find Old Cutters under Associations.

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