



# Longford Crossing HOA Newsletter

*November 30, 2015*

## Notes from the Board -

The evening of Tuesday, Feb. 16, 2016 has been reserved for the Longford Crossing Home Owners Association **annual meeting starting at 7 PM**. Please mark your calendars. There are two 3-year Board memberships up for election this year and you are encouraged to consider serving. A willingness to contribute to the community (you must be an owner), the commitment to attend a few meetings (7 to 9 per year) where we work to resolve issues and improve our neighborhood. You will be mailed an official notice around the first of the year.

Due to continued speeding on Hudson Drive a **composite speed bump** will be purchased and installed near the higher end of Hudson. This type of traffic control device can be moved to where it is most effective and, if suitable enough, others can be purchased and installed in key locations. **Please, slow down and follow the speed limits as they are posted for a reason. We have a large number of**

**children in our neighborhood and we all want to ensure everyone's safety.**

The Board is in discussion with a Land Planning/Landscape Architecture firm which would help produce an overall strategic development plan for our community. A sub-committee of seven community members met several times earlier this year and recommended a holistic plan be created rather than doing one-off projects. Negotiations are well underway and it is hoped more specifics can be shared soon and will be discussed at our annual meeting.

As mentioned at the 2015 annual meeting, \$250 of the 2015 budget has been designated as a Donation Fund. The Board has designated the Black Rock Fire and Ambulance as the recipients of this year's donation.

The Board is considering relocating about half of the town house mail boxes to the Strine Ct. island that is fairly open now. There are two nice sized trees there that, hopefully, can remain as is and there appears to be room to cut out a space for a car to stop along Hudson Dr. Preliminary talks with the Post Master have been positive. The main reason for considering this is to divert traffic that only travels on that side of Hudson, which is relatively congested, to pick up mail. This will also be reviewed at the annual meeting.

Creation of a community website is being evaluated. The thinking is that since Facebook is not our official site that a site where the official documents (rules, forms, newsletters, lists of approved plantings, colors, etc.) of our community could better be displayed and stored would be a benefit.

The 2016 budget has been approved with no change to our \$93 per month maintenance fee. The snow removal budget was increased a bit (tough winters the last two) but there was enough in some other categories to cover the increase. Hopefully, we'll have excess left after this winter.

As a reminder each homeowner is responsible for the plantings in front of their home. This includes keeping things weed free, replacing dead or unappealing plants and trimming trees. The lawn service provides mulching (Spring) and bush trimming three times a year. If you received a notice after our Fall inspection please do what you can to address the situation.

**Newsletter Updates:**

We currently have 168

**Reminders:**

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have any questions regarding the newsletter, please send it to John Atwell at Continental Property Management. His contact information can always be found at the end of the newsletter. All questions will be forwarded to the board.

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