

## **BOARD MEETING DATES**

Our meeting dates for **2023** have been set. We encourage your attendance. **All meetings begin at 7PM.**

Tuesday, October 17, 2023 – Budget Discussion Meeting,  
ZOOM Meeting (links provided below)  
Tuesday, December 19, 2023 – **Budget Approval Meeting,**  
**ZOOM Meeting (links to be provided)**

We ask all owners who attend the meeting to hold all questions until the main order of business has been completed.

### Zoom Meeting Details

Direct Link:

<https://us06web.zoom.us/j/84042956866?pwd=bHJtUGsWRHBWUDJIM2VtZjB2WjJSUT09>

Meeting ID: 840 4295 6866

Passcode: 644909

Dial by your location

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## **What a Summer**

Elite has managed the property since 2006 and we cannot recall a busier summer than this one. The property had lots of projects going on and we appreciate everyone's patience and cooperation. We will summarize:

- The Association completed its 4 year asphalt maintenance program. This year's work included curb and sewer repair, resurfacing roadway, and sealcoating all pavement.
- The Association completed its 3 year painting and wood replacement project on all 23 buildings. Final deck staining should be finishing up by the time this newsletter reaches you.

- Ground Pros and Evergreen Landscaping have completed various enhancement work throughout the property including replacement of dead trees and shrubs.
- Kramer Tree Specialists provided our plant healthcare program to protect our trees and shrubs. Kramer also provides winter pruning and building clearance on a three year continuous pruning cycle. J&S Tree Service removed dead trees in the summer months.
- Mueller Mist took over our irrigation maintenance for 2023. The irrigation system performed very well with the upgraded pump, new timer, new suction line, and repairs.
- Marek is completing the replacement of all exterior light fixtures on the buildings.



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## **Snow Removal**

Please keep in mind that our snow clearing contract comes into effect only when snow accumulation is 2" or greater. Owners are advised to keep a shovel on hand and calcium chloride to maintain walks for those times when snow accumulation is less than 2", and for treatment of ice. Please use snow melts wisely! Avoid excessive use of ice and snow melts, which may cause damage to concrete and kills vegetation. The Village plows and salts the Association's streets.

Similar to previous seasons, due to the rising costs and potential damages caused by salt, the Association only budgets for salt under emergency ice storm situations and tries to limit this to no more than once per season. Additionally, owners are reminded to park their cars in the garage if they would like their drive serviced. Due to the size of the machines and potential damages Ground Pros will not be able to get close to vehicles.

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## Mailbox Questions

The Association does not provide maintenance to the locking systems. Here are a couple of recommendations:

- During the winter, make sure the lock is not frozen. Owners may need to apply lock de-icer or heat.
- Lubricate the lock, front and back, with a product like WD40 or Fluid Film.
- If the lock needs replacement, call the Post Office, they can coordinate this replacement for a reasonable cost (much less than a locksmith).

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## Pet Leashing and Waste Issues

Please continue to leash and immediately pick-up after your pets. There is no excuse for not leashing or picking up after your pets. If you forget your own bags, the walking path has multiple waste bag stations located throughout. Also, please be sure to repair all turf damage from your pet. Lastly, remember to not store pet waste outside. Even if it is in a separate container, this is not allowed.

If you have specific questions regarding pet rules, please refer to Section 17 of the Association's rules and regulations which are posted on the website.

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## Upcoming Observances

### Columbus Day (Monday, October 9, 2023):

Columbus Day, which is on the second Monday of October, remembers Christopher Columbus' arrival to the Americas on October 12, 1492. This holiday is controversial because the European settlement in the Americas led to the demise of the history and culture of the indigenous peoples.

### Halloween (Tuesday, October 31, 2023):

Halloween originated as a pagan festival in parts of Northern Europe, particularly around what is now the United Kingdom. Many European cultural traditions hold that Halloween is a time when magic is most potent and spirits can make contact with the physical world. In Christian times, it became a celebration of the evening before All Saints' Day. Immigrants from Scotland and Ireland brought the holiday to the United States.

The commercialization of Halloween started in the 1900s, when postcards and die-cut paper decorations were produced. Halloween costumes started to appear in stores in the 1930s and the custom of 'trick-or-treat' appeared in the 1950s. The types of products available in

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Halloween style increased with time. Now Halloween is a very profitable holiday for the manufacturers of costumes, yard decorations and candy.

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## New Website

The Association has a new open source website at [www.thewindings.net](http://www.thewindings.net). The website includes important documents and links that owners can access at their convenience.

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## Exterior Modification Forms

Please remember that the submission of an architectural change form with an attached drawing is **required** prior to any changes affecting the exterior of your unit and common elements. Common requests include: radon mitigation systems, window replacements, and landscaping additions. The only exceptions are flowers in the mulch beds; **EVERYTHING** else needs prior Board approval.

If you are contemplating making changes to your unit that impact the exterior, please contact the management office first with details of your plan. Thanks for your cooperation.

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