News From the Summit Estates at Fischer Board of Directors December 1, 2023

Hello Neighbors, Merry Christmas, Happy Hanukkah, and blessings for the coming holidays you are celebrating. Summit Estates at Fischer is looking more and more festive every day as our neighbors put up decorations and brighten our neighborhoods. There is a lot to report here today, and our community is in the midst of a lot of change.

By now everyone should have received two elections ballots for each lot they own. One ballot is to vote for or against a dues increase to fund long term road repaving and operations. The other is to vote for or against an amendment to the Deed Restrictions to allow a one-time special assessment to fund road repaving. If you have not voted yet, please do so soon. The deadline is December 12, 2023 at 5:00 PM.

We have set the date, time, and place for our 2024 Annual meeting. We will meet Saturday, February 24 at 3:00 PM at St. Mary's Catholic Church Parrish Hall in Wimberly. The primary business for this meeting will be to elect new members to our Board of Directors for two-year terms. The terms for all of or current directors are expiring as of this meeting.

As we approach our 2024 annual meeting I want to reach out to each of you to ask you to consider serving your community and running for office as a member of our Board of Directors. Steve, Nancy, and I have served two years and while we believe we have made Summit Estates at Fischer a better place and we found our roles here fulfilling, we don't plan to run again. The last time I spoke to Amy Clark about this, she is still considering whether she will run again. But our community needs your involvement, your ideas, and your leadership too. Our bylaws specify a minimum of three board members, but we can elect as many as we believe we need to represent us. Please consider running for our Board of Directors.

As I mentioned Nancy Carr will be leaving the Board. She has resigned because she and Ray have sold their home and are moving to be closer to children and grandchildren. Please join me in thanking Nancy for her faithful service to our community, her skillful oversight as treasurer, and her friendship along this journey. We wish you and Ray all the best, and blessings as you pursue your new future.

As I write this newsletter, we are facing another big change for Summit Estates. SMTX has given us notice that they are dropping the Property Owners Association line of their business to focus more on multi-family property management. They have asked us to find a new management company soon so that they can help us transition to a new company in early 2024. We have reached out to several companies, and received a few responses. We are preparing to interview some prospective companies by mid-December, and select a new company by the end of the month. Our goal is to keep SMTX as our manager through January so that there is no disruption in our dues collection process. Then, bring the new management company on in February so that they coordinate the transition with SMTX, and the new manager can participate in the annual meeting.

I'm sure everyone has noticed the construction near the front entrance. Texas Water Company is installing a pipeline to carry the water they have been discharging into our road ditch. The goal is to dry up the wet mess along our roadway and to restore and revegetate our road ditch. They should be finishing up in the next few days, as long as the weather holds.

You have probably noticed the new grates over the curb cuts near our front entrance. We had to cut the curb in order to drain runoff after Comal raised the surface of Fischer Store Road. Water was ponding at the intersection and damaging our pavement. Unfortunately, the grates we initially installed were no match for the heavy trucks that cut corners. Please join me in thanking Sam Goff for fabricating and

installing the new, heavy duty grates you see today. They are first class, and have already been well tested by some big trucks. Thank you Sam.

Finally, I want to take this opportunity to thank our Select Committee on Finance and Roads for the tremendous job they did for Summit Estates. John Law, Rhonda Yanosky, Bill Blassingame, and Mike Harlin put in countless hours and effort working on helping us learn how we might better manage our roads and fund our community. The reached out to contractors, engineers, elected officials, and other communities to get information and learn what we needed to know to take care of our Association. In the end the answers were not simple or easy, but these neighbors came and met with us, shared what they learned, and answered our questions. They worked hard and did a great job. For that we are eternally grateful. THANK YOU!

Merry Christmas from your Board and Officers!

Willy Conrad, President