Hayden Village 2021/22 Community Report 11/15/22

Dear homeowners and residents, I want to share with you the Hayden Village Community accomplishments and challenges of the past year.

In 2022, we held our first clean-up day in several years. While resident participation was very low, it was great to work together with others again supporting the community. We also organized a recycling event by renting a disposal dumpster for collecting household items. It has also been nice to see residents participating in activities such as pickleball and installing privacy netting on the tennis court fence.

The Community repaired / replaced damaged light poles and the community sign located at the Braddock Road entrance. Board member Jeff Adams saved the community thousands of dollars by handling tree maintenance and Community Communications Coordinator Lisa Poulter improved the website with new information pages. New pool furniture was placed out this past season after delivery was delayed last year due to covid and supply chain issues. The Tot Lot playground area border was rebuilt, and new ground cover added.

The biggest challenge this year has been inconsistent and missed pickups by the waste and recycling contractor, American Disposal Services. Hayden Village was not the only community experiencing problems with American and despite efforts to address service problems, complaints escalated to Fairfax County level. In response, Hayden Village is in negotiations with a new disposal contractor, for improved service reliability and pickups back to 2x per week. We expect the contractor to begin service within the next few months.

Fiscally, the Community remains financially strong and well positioned to meet future capital reserve obligations. For 2022, expenses will end the year above budget after accounting for the lighting repairs and higher contractor fees.

There are several new projects under consideration looking ahead to 2023. The Board is seeking bids for repairing the tennis court and fencing and we are working with residents on updating pickleball equipment. A long-term grounds improvement plan is under consideration as well.

What's still needed—we welcome ideas and suggestions on increasing residential community engagement. We've had a community events coordinator position open for several years, but no volunteers have stepped forward. We are also recruiting for an Architectural Committee member and another Board member. Hayden Village runs on volunteer support at the Board and Committee levels and each of these positions require only a few hours of time per month, at most. Please consider supporting your community and volunteering for one of these positions or for special projects. For example, it's been several years since a traffic study has

been conducted and it would be wonderful to have someone help us coordinate it with the County.

Do know that Hayden Village has benefitted from the generous commitment from four long-serving board members. Still, we welcome others to join us, not only because we need the support but also for governance continuity purposes, as the current board will eventually turn over.

Your current board members have been on the board collectively for over 40 years, and we welcome residents to volunteer and bring new energy and ideas for helping manage the community. We are an easy-going group and work collegially and effectively together. Please consider volunteering!

I wish to acknowledge the work of your 2022 long-serving Board members: JoAnne Loislett, Vice President (3+ years), Randy Wyatt, Secretary (10+ years), Jeff Adams, Treasurer (20+ years) and myself (13+ years). Their contributions of time and support are greatly appreciated.

Finally, I'm happy to introduce Trish Langley, our new Community Manager <u>tlangley@rosewoodmcs.com</u>. Trish is our third manager this year and brings deep experience in community management. A few Board members held an introductory meeting with her and she's eager to work with us and the community.

On behalf of the entire board, we look forward to seeing you in and around the community soon. Have a wonderful holiday season!

With regards, Dan Cassidy President