

LETTER OF INTRODUCTION FROM THE FAIRVIEW VILLAGE PHASE 1 HOA PRESIDENT -- MARCH 2024

Hello Neighbors,

While many of you know me and more have seen me on your RingCam, I'd like to introduce myself (hopefully I haven't been too intrusive in my efforts to include everyone in HOA activities). My name is Dixie Bowen and I live down Multnomah Drive. I've been on our HOA Board for a year and after last week's owners' meeting the board members divvied up tasks and the role of HOA president fell to me.

Other officers include:

Kurt Hudson
Jeff Dennerline

Vice-President
Treasurer

Kay Metsger
Jessica Hall

Secretary
Member at large

A special thanks to Jessica for stepping up and volunteering. Jessica is a young, friendly, bright, new homeowner who will add new blood to the team! And of course thanks to Kurt, Jeff, and Kay for their continued service!

Finally, a huge thanks to Wayne Palmiter who has served four years as HOA president and has led well by example. I will do my best to fill his shoes, but please be patient as I learn!

So who am I? My spouse, Rich, and I moved to Fairview Village in 2020 after discovering the area through Rich's work. I'm from a small town in Iowa where all the neighbors knew each other and helped each other out. That sense of community is a feature of Fairview Village that I hope to continue to foster throughout the neighborhood.

Of course the main purpose for our HOA is to comply with a legal obligation we have to the state. The 86 properties in our HOA are responsible for the upkeep and maintenance of the wall that runs along two sides of the neighborhood. Over the years the wall has been crashed into, tagged and, of course, has aged. The owners here are required by the state to keep a reserve of funds to maintain the wall and pay various other state fees. The other obligation of the HOA is to keep the neighborhood looking spiffy so all of our property values stay high! To that end we must remain business-like to meet our financial and property obligations.

While keeping a separation between the business-side and the social-side, I would like to encourage everyone in the neighborhood to get involved; owners, renters, as well as property management firms. I have been reviewing documents from the neighborhood's past and would like to revive some social aspects to the neighborhood!

I believe the board needs to remain fiscally responsible to all owners so the ideas some of us have been discussing are all free or "Bring your own ..." and will not pull from the wall reserve.

These ideas are, of course, separate from the HOA Board, but perhaps the board can be a good conduit for ideas and committees! With the help of Ann Lewis, a Facebook Page for the entire Village is evolving. It's called, "Fairview Village Oregon Community Group" and we invite any of you to ask to join, or send Ann (Ann Manfredi Lewis) or me a note and we'll invite you to join. Ideas we've been entertaining include: a summer social to get to know one another better, the return of the community yard sale, a garden group, etc. We would be able to create groups and communicate through FB so those not interested wouldn't be forever getting emails they are not interested in. If you have ideas for committees or wish to lead any, let us know either via FB or my contact information below. If you are not on FB no worries, we can email, text, phone or visit!

While I will not be able to solve all the problems we encounter as a neighborhood, I will do my best to help find answers or find the people in the know. Many issues we face fall under the purview of the city. I hope to get more familiar with the folks there who can answer such questions for us. Again, please have patience with me as I learn.

As a reminder, the official contact information for the HOA board include:

- The HOA Mailing Address (for assessments and requests): PO Box 124, Fairview OR 97024
- The Website (by-laws, covenants, restrictions, minutes, etc.): <https://fairviewvillageoregon.org>
- The main line of board communication: fvhoa.phase1.board@gmail.com
- The ARB (for approval of changes to property): fvhoa.phase1.ARB@gmail.com

In addition you are welcome to contact me directly and I will respond as soon as possible.

Very sincerely yours,
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