

Dear Neighbors,

The yearly Homeowners Association Meeting will be a hybrid meeting. You can attend either in-person or VIRTUAL for the Hidden Lake Annual Homeowner's meeting set for **Thursday, October 07, 2021 at 7:00 pm at Cumberland Town Hall 11501 E Washington St, Indianapolis, IN 46229.**

Please read the Newsletter, it contains information for the Community and for the meeting and agenda. If you decide to attend the meeting virtually, please fill out the form below and returned to us by September 30, 2021 so we can send you the link to join in for the meeting on October 7th. There are two easy ways to get this information back to us.

1. You can email the information to HLEBoard@hleindy.com or
2. Drop off the form below in the HLE Mail Box at 11137 Bear Hollow Drive (the box that faces the sidewalk.)

If you have any questions, PLEASE ask.

Kindest Regards,

Richard J. Ruzewski
President of the Hidden Lake Estates
ruzewski@hleindy.com



Form to fill out and return by Sept. 30, 2021:

Home Owner: _____

Address: _____

Phone Number: _____

Email: _____

hello.

The Official Newsletter of the Hidden Lake Estates HOA

Board Directors:

President: Rich Ruzewski
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jbeard@hleindy.com

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welcome@hleindy.com

This is Richard Ruzewski, President of the Hidden Lake Estates. For 2021 in review, mailboxes have been replaced and the board just approved to removal of the four trees at the main entry. We also have approved the repair the approach to one of two bridges on the trails. James Beard has spearheaded the street lights fix and /or replace, and street repair. The lake was taken care of and is algae free. We worked with our law firm to make sure that all necessary documents pertaining to the community were on-line and available. Once that was completed, we now have them available to provide to our new neighbors when they move in. The board would like to thank those neighbors who submitted the required Architectural Review Forms and the board processed them as quickly as possibly.

The annual meeting 2021 agenda will consist of the review of the 2021 budget and the proposed 2022 budget. Our speaker for the evening will be Councilman David Ray. He has been instrumental in bringing local government and eastside Homeowner Associations together. He was a catalyst in getting a pass-lane on German Church Road, street repair, and Pennsy Trail extension to downtown.

There will also be a discussion of the board considering an outside company to run the HOA. Finally, our attorney will speak about architectural rules and regulations for the HOA.

We are in need of an additional board member. If you would like to join the Board, there is one opening. If two or more people are interested in joining the Board, we will have an election among those who have showed an interest. IF you are interested in becoming part of the Hidden Lake Estates Board, email me at rruzewski@hleindy.com . The cutoff date is Oct 1 2020.

Also, if you have a topic to that you would like see discussed at the upcoming meeting, please email me at rruzewski@hleindy.com .

See you at the meeting,
Richard Ruzewski
President HLE

Mailing Address
Hidden Lake Estates HOA
PO Box 29379
Indianapolis, In 46229

WELCOME TO NEW RESIDENTS

The board welcomes the current new residents of 2021 to our Hidden Lake Estates community:

Marcus Clay at 304 Bear Hollow Way

Darren S. Kiefer at 436 Woodland Trail Drive

Dusti Bailey at 11108 Bear Hollow Drive

Jason M. Peters at 11060 Deer Valley Drive

Ashley Cunningham at 11117 Deer Valley Drive

Denise Kenly-Reynolds at 11114 Bear Hollow Drive

Safety Thought

By the nature of burglary, light is counterintuitive. Burglars do not work in well-lit areas because the chance of being caught is much higher than working in the dark. Making sure that outdoor lighting are always functioning well is a key aspect of maintaining a safe property. Having a well-lit front porch means nothing if the back side of a house is not lit at all. Perform a full audit tonight to determine the areas of your property that need to be lit.

ARCHITECTURAL REVIEW CHANGES

With the onset of Fall and preparing for the upcoming holidays and the winter, many homeowners begin to think about the changes they would like to make to their properties. If you are considering making any changes to your property, from what currently exists, please remember to complete the "Request for Architectural Review Form" and submit it to the Hidden Lake Estates HOA Board for approval. The "Request for Architectural Review Form" can be found on our neighborhood website at www.hleindy.com under the "Information" tab. The form can be submitted electronically to the Board's email address at HLEBoard@hleindy.com.

Remember you bought your house you bought in this neighborhood and so, you have to follow the rule and regulation for the HLE. Paperwork is crucial!!

BUS STOP

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Parents and students, please be mindful that when you are waiting for the school bus, at the designated bus stops, please **do not** use it as a trash dumping area. The Board has been notified that un-eaten breakfast, utensils, soda cans and other trash is being left at bus stops for homeowners living by the bus stops to pick up. Your neighbors should not be made responsible to pick up your discarded trash. Keeping our neighborhood looking clean and respectable is a responsibility of everyone that resides in it.

TRASH BINS AND VEHICLES

Please remember that our neighborhood by laws require Trash Bins be put away in the garage or around the back of the home on the day the trash is picked up. You may contact the Board with any questions at HLEBoard@hleindy.com. Remember when you bought your house--you bought into this neighborhood, so you have to do your part by following the rules and regulations for the HLE.

We also want to draw your attention to a couple of other very important covenant matters involving street parking and stop sign violations:

- We have some homeowners who consistently break these rules by using the street as their parking place, rather than their own driveways. Excuses for parking on the street include, but are not limited to the following: 1. There's no room in their garage. 2. There are more cars in their family than what they have room in their garages or driveways. 3. It's inconvenient to move cars out of the driveway and then back in for family members with various schedules.

Our Covenants allow for the Board of Directors to have vehicles towed that violate our parking rules; but securing a company who will tow in residential areas to enforce parking violations has been a challenge. Since city/county rules governing residential towing has made it difficult to secure towing services for our HOA, we are exploring other enforcement options for violators.

Until then, let us make an appeal in this way. Who knows, maybe we'll be able to reach someone's conscience. Parking on the streets inhibits the easy access for emergency vehicles from reaching our homes during a crisis. Some of our neighbors have already experienced this issue! Trash pickup and postal deliveries are also impeded. When parked on the street, it is more difficult to see young children who may dart out from behind the vehicle. Nobody wants to hit a child! We have had cars parked on the street hit, especially during inclement weather.

- We continue to witness vehicles that speed through the 3-way stop sign. No only unsafe, but these people are blatantly breaking the law! Those who live near the stop signs are always in jeopardy of being hit as they back out of their driveways or crossing the street. Again, short of having the police available to ticket every offender, this is another violation difficult to control. Please respect your neighbors enough to stop at the stop signs and to park in your own driveways.

Zoom.. How Does It Work?

Zoom is a web-based video conferencing tool with a local, desktop client and a mobile app that allows users to meet online, with or without video. Zoom users can choose to record sessions, collaborate on projects, and share or annotate on one another's screens, all with one easy-to-use platform. Zoom offers quality video, audio, and a wireless screen-sharing performance across Windows, Mac, Linux, iOS, Android, Blackberry, Zoom Rooms, and H.323/SIP room systems.

Joining a Meeting

1. Go to [Zoom.us](https://zoom.us)
2. Click the "Join a Meeting" tab. You can find the tab on the top right corner of the homepage
3. When prompted, add your designated Meeting ID (The Meeting ID can be a 9, 10, or 11-Digit number). The Meeting ID should be provided by the host.
4. You're in

Reimagining Online Video Conferencing. Imagine if Skype was on steroids. Using HD video and voice, Zoom brings innovation into meetings and webinars. Zoom also features dynamic voice detection and a choice of either full-screen, gallery view, or both using dual streaming for those of you with twice the amount of screens. If you're more laid back, you're allowed to join as a view-only attendee, or by telephone dial-in when you're on the go.



Most neighbors know that I decorate my home for Halloween and Christmas but I did decorate for the Indianapolis 500 and I won. Santino Ferrucci Indy Car Racer and Princess Andrea Peterson stop by here and congratulate me.

— Rich Ruzewski

MAIL THEFT

With the busy holidays coming up, mail theft can be a big worry when most people are shopping online now. Along with the obvious loss of valuable items you have purchased, another main motivator in mail theft is to subsequently steal that person's identity and receive access to their private information, including bank accounts and credit cards. Following are some tips to help prevent/limit your exposure to mail theft:

- Retrieve your mail as soon as possible after it is delivered. Don't leave your mail unattended for extended periods, or in your mailbox overnight. If you cannot regularly retrieve your mail promptly, consider obtaining a PO Box from the post office.
- If you will be away from home temporarily, you can notify the post office to hold your mail.
- Always deposit your mail in a mail slot at the post office, or hand it to our letter carrier.
- Monitor your bank account statements regularly, and report any charges or checks you did not authorize. Monitor your credit report and report any accounts you did not authorize.

Annual Hidden Lake Estates Meeting

October 7, 2021

Thursday at Cumberland Town Hall

11501 E Washington St,
Indianapolis, IN 46229

or <https://zoom.us>

7:00 pm

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