

# THE GATHERING NEWSLETTER

# A Message from the President

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Happy New Year. Wanted to thank everyone that came out to the Annual Meeting we held in November and for those returning their proxy vote.

IANUARY

We had 50 homes out of 286 homes represented at the Annual Meeting and 94 out of 286 proxies returned for the Directors Election Vote. We heard from several attending the annual meeting that it was both informative and a very nice social time afterwards. But with the low participation every year, we might want to consider format and venue type changes. We would love hear from those that weren't able to attend as to why—date, time, interest, etc. We would love to have a better participation rate—let us know what we can do to get you there.

On the following pages you will see our financial data for both 2023 and the budget for 2024. We have not closed the books yet for 2023 as some invoices are still coming in, but the numbers reported here are extremely close to the final numbers. If you have any questions about the expenses and/or budget for next year contact either the Treasurer or myself.

I hope everyone had a great holiday season and we look forward to new things in 2024.

Joy

Doug Deal

Pool & Clubhouse

Tresa Kenny

Social

Amy Oswalt





President

Joy Perkins

Vice President

Deborah Lubell

Treasurer

Dean Cooley

#### 2024 COMMITTEE CHAIRS

Architectural

Henry Carey Communications & Security

Joy Perkins

Covenants & Regulations

OPEN

Landscaping

Rhonda Shirley Ponds & Fountains

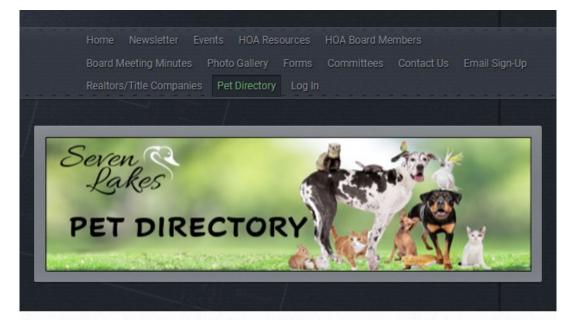


We would like to add a new feature to our systems for the community to help with any lost/ missing/loose pet. We have added a Pet Directory on our website that will be available to all residents of Seven Lakes. The detail information will be housed in the Appfolio system and pictures with contact information on our website.

If you would like to add your pet to the directory simply go to our website, select the tab labeled "Forms", then select the button labeled "Pet Directory". Submit your information along with a picture of your pet and it will be added to our website.

Website link: sevenlakessubdivision.com

Looking forward to seeing your beautiful pet soon.



SEVEN LAKES PET FAMILY - If you see me loose in the neighborhood, please contact my owner.



OWNERS: Robert & Tresa Kenny STREET: Robertsview PHONE: 404-606-1746



OWNERS: Susan & Henry Carey STREET: Bear Stone PHONE: 901-463-8333

## Upcoming changes in the neighborhood

#### <u>JANUARY</u>

 We will be adding solar lights to the mailboxes for Bear Stone—Pratt Homes is paying for this enhancement

#### <u>MARCH</u>

Street lights will be installed on Bear Stone

#### APRIL/MAY

- Repairs and repainting for front & Roy Lane black rail fence
- Pool Deck repairs
- Adding additional furniture at the pool
- Phase 5 and Phase 6 will have their streets seal coated. Pratt Homes is paying for this work

## **2023 FINANCIAL RESULTS**

#### **PRELIMENARY RESULTS**

#### 2023 Budget Summary for Seven Lakes

Committee	2	023 Fcst	20	23 Budget	Variance		
Board	\$	47,910	\$	49,900	\$	1,990	
Communication	\$	1,182	\$	2,164	\$	982	
Landscape	\$	49,575	\$	62,700	\$	13,125	
Ponds/Fountains	\$	12,727	\$	12,500	\$	(227)	
Pool/clubhouse	\$	26,017	\$	27,550	\$	1,533	
Security	\$	7,023	\$	8,530	\$	1,507	
Social/Welcome	\$	1,293	\$	2,150	\$	857	
Total	\$	145,727	\$	165,494	\$	19,767	

	2023	B Fcst	20	23 Budget	Variance		
Total Income	\$ 21	0,449	\$	198,802	\$	11,647	
Total Expense	\$ 14	5,727		\$165,494	\$	(19,767)	
Net Op Income	\$ 6	54,722	\$	33,308			

# 2024 OPERATING BUDGET

2024 Annual Operating Budget Summary by Committee											
Account Name		2021 ACT		2022 ACT		2023 FCST		2024 BDGT		\$Chg/Prior	
Income											
Total Operating Income	\$	177,349	\$	201,983	\$	210,506	\$	202,233	\$	(8,274)	
Expense											
Board	\$	59,242	\$	108,745	\$	47,909	\$	51,125	\$	3,216	
Pool/Clubhouse	\$	29,295	\$	26,980	\$	26,017	\$	22,295	\$	(3,722)	
Communication	\$	119	\$	1,688	\$	1,182	\$	319	\$	(863)	
Landscape	\$	53,423	\$	61,684	\$	49,575	\$	54,900	\$	5,325	
Fountains/Ponds	\$	3,805	\$	15,692	\$	12,727	\$	10,070	\$	(2,657)	
Security	\$	11,044	\$	10,376	\$	7,023	\$	7,752	\$	729	
Social	\$	2,219	\$	2,200	\$	1,293	\$	1,200	\$	(93)	
Adjust Operating vs Reserves			\$	(55,000)							
Total Operating Expenses	\$	159,148	\$	172,365	\$	145,726	\$	147,661	\$	1,935	
Total Operating Income	\$	177,349	\$	201,983	\$	210,506	\$	202,233			
Total Operating Expenses	\$	159,148	\$	172,365	\$	145,726	\$	147,661			
NOI - Net Operating Income	\$	18,201	\$	29,618	\$	64,780	\$	54,571	-		

### **SEVEN LAKES 2024 RESERVES**

	Additions to Beginning reserves Speci Capital from Assmt							Capital Outlays	Ending Capital Reserve
Year	Res	erve Fund	Op	perating	loans	In	terest	(Sch.B)	Fund
2020	\$	75,103				\$	23		\$ 75,125
2021	\$	75,125				\$	14		\$ 75,139
2022	\$	75,139	\$	8,739		\$	8		\$ 83,886
2023	\$	83,886	\$	75,073		\$	14		\$ 158,973
2024	\$	158,973	\$	88,919		\$	5,000	\$15,000	\$ 267,892

Planned spend

2024 Spring - Seal Coat Phase 5 & 6 \$ 15,000

Potential Spend from Reserves

2024 Deck Repairs	\$ 22,000	Max quote
2025 Pool Resurface	\$ 40,000	Max quote



#### Currently we are looking for someone to volunteer as

#### Chair of the Covenants & Regulations Committee.

If you are interested, please send an email to 7LakesHOAPresident@gmail.com. Here are a few of the responsibilities:

- Follow established guidelines (process and criteria) for dealing with HOA rules violations. Obtain HOA Board approval of guidance document and letters. For example, if covenant violation exists, courtesy notice sent. If violation not addressed, initiate and implement fine in accordance with Board approved fine schedule.
- Evaluation of written complaints against HOA covenants and making compliance determinations
- Make recommendations to Executive Board for action to address infractions
- Evaluate new issues that don't fit with existing rules, but may have broader Seven Lakes impacts, propose solutions and draft rules change/new guidance as appropriate and present to Board for decision.
- Seek to balance confidentiality (of those reporting violations) with transparency so that actions can be communicated and understood. (Example: HOA received complaint ABC, rules state 123, therefore, XYZ action was taken)
- Utilize Board President if/when needed to deal with extreme issues

#### Make A Difference

• Stay professional and fact-based at all times (not based on whims or emotions)

# SUPPORT YOUR NEIGHBORS

Nooga ProWash Corporation Professional Exterior Cleaning Services Concrete Wash Window Wash House Wash Fence Wash Roof Wash Call or Text: Jason Baker 423-330-1616 Nooga ProWash Corporation Professional Light Installation Services Holiday & Event Lighting - Install - Maintain - Remove - Store Call or Text: Jason Baker 423-330-1616

Repair • Replace • Remodel

# Mike Jensen, Owner

Ooltewah, Tennessee Office: 423.250.5375 Jensen.SignatureHS@gmail.com www.JensenSHS.com

Tenn. License 10730 Bonded & Insured

#### Over 30 years of experience in home building and remodeling!

- INTERIOR Drywall Painting Tile Millwork Custom Features
- EXTERIOR Decks Porches Steps Handrails Skirting Lattice
- HOME SERVICES Electrical Plumbing Appliance Installs Lighting
- HOME SALE & PURCHASE IMPROVEMENTS/UPGRADES

Rates per quarter are: Business card—\$25 4"x 6" - \$50 7"x 5" - \$75