

# The News in Hidden Springs #151

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## COMMUNICATION FROM NACFR:

Greetings North Ada County Fire & Rescue District Residents! (NACFR Subdistrict 1)

The NACFR Board of Commissioners is pleased to provide this 2022 update on fire protection services for the district. Your fire district Commissioners and staff have been working hard to provide you the best service possible with available resources. With the significant new development in recent years, the economic feasibility of enhancing fire services in this area has become possible. Given our district's proximity to both Boise and Eagle, and with the benefit of a professional assessment of the options, we have determined that continuing to contract with Boise Fire for subdistricts 2 & 3 and creating a new partnership with Eagle Fire for subdistrict 1 offers the biggest bang for the buck.

A new partnership with the Eagle Fire District will allow us to staff the Fire Station in Hidden Springs (currently NACFR Station 20 to be renumbered Eagle Station 5) full time beginning June 2022. Between now and then we are purchasing equipment, updating the station, and recruiting firefighters. NACFR owns/will retain the station, apparatus, and equipment and will contract for payment with Eagle Fire for staffing and operations. This agreement benefits both the Eagle Fire District and NACFR as this location is close to a shared border and can respond to both jurisdictions. A faster response to the residents in the vicinity including Dry Creek Valley, Hidden Springs and Cartwright Ranch will be possible. We also anticipate a new ISRB rating to follow which may help lower insurance costs for residents. If you have questions or comments, please contact our office at: <a href="https://nacfire.org/contact-us/">https://nacfire.org/contact-us/</a> or <a href="mailto:info@nacfire.org">info@nacfire.org</a> or call (208)-375-0906.

#### **HIDDEN SPRINGS SWIM CLUB**

The Hidden Springs Swim Club board is looking for new board members to support our fantastic summer swim club. Kerry Lawyer, Mitch Wood, and Amanda Broadnax have decided to move on from their volunteer board duties to this program. Justin Hull and Rob Myers will remain on the board. Thank you to all the Swim Club volunteers past and present, this program would not be available to families without the dedication and hard work of these individuals. The club is looking for a minimum of three more board members to help continue the tradition of this phenomenal program for the kids of Hidden Springs. If you are interested in becoming a board member to help plan the upcoming 2022 season, please email <a href="mailto:kerrylawyer@gmail.com">kerrylawyer@gmail.com</a> or call <a href="mailto:208-867-7286">208-867-7286</a>.

# 30-DAY COMMENT PERIODS End Tuesday 3/8/22

The 30-Day Comment periods for the resident proposed installation of two soccer goals in Cougar Field, Association Records Retention Policy and Addendum to Section 2.19 Exterior Lighting ends Tuesday, 3/8/22. For more information, please visit the community website.

## ANNUAL EASTER EGG HUNT Saturday 4/9/22

The Association will host the Annual Easter Egg Hunt, Saturday 4/9/22. Based on feed-back from families last year, families enjoyed being able to "hunt" together versus kids being separated by age group. So, this year there will be three hunts, 11:00am, 12:00pm and 1:00pm. Please drop off 12 plastic treat filled eggs for each child participating. Eggs must be dropped off at the Hidden Springs Town Office by Noon on Friday, 4/8/22. Items hidden in eggs must be wrapped and appropriate for all ages. Wristbands will be issued corresponding to the time slot selected at the time of egg drop-off. Questions about the event or interested in volunteering? Please call 208-229-2324 or email <a href="mailto:atm@hiddensprings.com">atm@hiddensprings.com</a>.

## GIVE A PINT OF BLOOD Thursday 5/5/22

Valley Pies of Hidden Springs is sponsoring a Blood Drive on Thursday, May 5th from 12:00 to 6:30 pm at the Community Club House, 5525 W. Hidden Springs Dr. Please sign up at <a href="https://www.redcrossblood.org/">https://www.redcrossblood.org/</a> (code: HiddenSprings) and help us support this great cause.

#### WINTER & SPRING TRAIL USE

Wet weather conditions mean muddy trails! We encourage residents to make responsible decisions when considering hiking and biking community trails when they are muddy. Consider using the trails early in the day when they are still frozen! If you are leaving tracks, walking off-trail to avoid mud or finding a lot of "trail" stuck to your shoes, boots or tires, it is too muddy. Turn around to save trails from damage, erosion and countless volunteer hours in repair. Current trail conditions are available daily at <a href="https://www.ridgetorivers.org">www.ridgetorivers.org</a>. Remember, the Landslide Loop Wildlife Management Seasonal Closure is in effect thru 3/31/2021. Please respect these closures. Signs are posted and coincide with Avimor for consistency in the region. These closures are agreed upon by all the trail and land managers in our area including: HSTA, Avimor, BLM, Ada Co. IDF&G and R2R and help wintering wildlife in our area. Honoring the closures will also help our efforts for future trail corridors through important wildlife areas.

#### CONSIDERING AN IMPROVEMENT PROJECT?

Per the governing documents, improvements require design review as set forth in the Residential Design Guidelines, Section 5.0 and the CC&Rs Section 6.1. The Town Design Review Board meets monthly. Review dates and forms can be found on the website and/or emailed upon request. Submissions are due the Friday before the Wednesday meeting. The next meeting is Wednesday, 3/16/22. Not sure if your project requires review, just call the Town Office. **Repainting your home?** If you are selecting new exterior colors for your home, complete and submit a Design Review and Exterior Color Selection form (available on the website or in the Town Office). Completed forms with paint chips can be dropped off at the Town Office any time. Please allow 10 working days for this process. If you are painting your home using the existing colors (not changing anything), you do not need approval.

## A FEW CC&R REMINDERS

The Master Declaration of Covenants, Conditions & Restrictions (CC&Rs) and Residential Design Guidelines (RDG) detail the obligations and responsibilities of all Hidden Springs' property owners, residents as well as the duties and responsibilities of the Town Council and HSTA. Below are just a few reminders based on CC&R courtesy reminders issued recently:

- **Trash bins** must be stored out of sight or properly screened with approved screening methods, and there are no exceptions for bins placed in alleys (RDG 2.15 and CC&R 6.5 Nuisances).
- **Boats, RVs, campers, and trailers** may be parked for short-term loading, unloading, and cleaning (72hrs) (RDG 2.11, CC&R 6.9 Vehicles and Equipment)
- **Pet(s) (dogs, cats, chickens)** are not to roam freely off of your lot, remember to contain them, leash them, clean up their poop and properly dispose of the bagged feces! This includes the agricultural and farm fields, access roads and around the community farm. Dog poop was found in the compost and row crops last week. Pet waste contains parasites that neighbors prefer not to have with their organically grown veggies! (CC&R 6.10 Animals/Pets).
- Holiday Lights & Decorations well, it's March and time to get those holiday lights and winter holiday decorations turned off and put away. Holiday lights and decorations are allowed "temporarily." Typically, the Association shares this reminder in February but recognizes that the freezing temperatures last month, made this task difficult if not impossible. Hidden Springs is a "Dark Sky Community" and residents can refer to section 2.19 Exterior Lighting and the Residential Design Guidelines for details. (RDG 2.19)

## **HAPPENINGS IN THE NEIGHBORHOOD**

HIDDEN SPRINGS SEWER COMPANY WWTF EXPANSION MEETING | 4/6/22 ANNUAL EGG HUNT | 4/9/22 COMMUNITY CLEAN UP & TRAIL MAINTENANCE | 4/23/22 GREAT OUTDOORS | 5/14/22 COMMUNITY GARAGE SALE | 6/10 - 6/11/22 SUMMER CONCERT #1 | 6/11/22 CRUISIN' HIDDEN SPRINGS | 6/18/22

Working diligently on your behalf, The Hidden Springs Town Association Town Council and Staff