

# ERIN RIDGE HOMEOWNERS' ASSOCIATION NEWSLETTER - JULY 2018



## MESSAGE FROM THE BOARD



### Grass Killed by Ice Melt

Several incidents of freezing rain this past winter made it necessary for us to direct Do-All Landscape Ltd. to apply large amounts of ice melt product to keep the sidewalks safe for pedestrians. This resulted not only in additional expense for the Association, but also major damage to many areas of grass.

The Board is faced with two problems: 1) repairing the damaged grass and 2) finding a better way to deal with ice buildup on the sidewalks and driveways. We are currently gathering information about better ice melt products, and different application processes that Do-All could use next winter. We have also requested and received estimates on the cost to repair the areas of damaged grass.

After considerable discussion, the consensus among the Board members was that it would not be a prudent use of Association funds to repair the grass until a solution can be found to lessen future grass kill. Therefore, we have made the decision to delay the repair of the grass until next spring. This will allow us to assess whether the different ice melt approach was a success, and to build up the reserve account to cover the expense of grass repair.

We will keep you advised of our progress in future newsletters.

### Special General Meeting

A Special General Meeting of the Association held on June 25, 2018 was attended by 21 Members, with an additional 8 Members represented by proxy. Two resolutions were passed – one to approve the erection of a Little Free Library, the other to amend the section of the By-laws pertaining to deck replacement. Both resolutions passed unanimously.



### Trees Replaced on Boulevards

The Tree Committee was successful in getting the City of St. Albert to replace several dead boulevard trees. Although the City does come back and water the trees, we are asking Homeowners who have a new tree adjacent to their property to keep an eye on it. A good soaking once a week is recommended. Newly planted trees need about 100 litres (20 gallons) of water or 4 centimetres (1.5 inches) of rain each week. Please water the new tree and other boulevard trees thoroughly before freeze up. If you are unable to water, please contact any Board Member and we will do it for you.

**Ray Rohr, President**

## NOTICE BOARD



### Wasn't That a Party!

The new-format "appetizer" Block Party got positive reviews from attendees. The weather cooperated on June 22 as about 50 neighbours enjoyed an evening of socializing over appetizers. A big thank you to the organizers - Ray Rohr and Ray Corner. As in past years, a special thanks to Henriette and Bob Gabourie for the use of their grass and to Myrna and Lorne Howell and Marj Optiz for the use of their garages. Well done all!



### Ladies Lunch – Everyone Welcome!

Ladies of the ERAALHA meet for an informal luncheon the first Wednesday of every month at a local restaurant. Burtine Kendall sends out an e-mail a couple of days before the event advising of the location. If you would like your name added to the list of recipients, please call Burtine at 780 458 3380 or email her at [arbur@shaw.ca](mailto:arbur@shaw.ca).

### Annual General Meeting

The Annual General Meeting of the Association will be held on Wednesday, October 10, 2018. KDM will deliver the meeting package in advance of the date. Please mark your calendar as it is important Homeowners attend.



### Little Free Library Installed

On July 26 the Little Free Library book exchange was installed on the lawn near the north mail boxes on Enderby Crescent. A huge thanks to Mike Slecza who designed and built this beautiful replica of his home.

Being able to pick up a book or two and replace it with another will not only be a great convenience, but another way to foster community spirit. Thanks also to those who turned out to help with installation and encouragement – some of you are shown in the picture.



### City of St. Albert Has Implemented Water Use Restrictions

Between May 1 and October 1, watering from a hose, pipe, sprinkler or irrigation system is only allowed between the hours of **7:00 pm and 9:00 am**.

There are some exemptions:

- you can water using a watering can or hose nozzle at any time
- if there is a danger that a new tree, shrub, or other vegetation will perish, you can water in any manner
- newly laid sod or seeded lawns may be watered in any manner until the first cut only



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