



# Newsletter December 2022

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## MEETINGS:

**Executive Meeting:** 1<sup>st</sup> Wednesday of the month (Board Members only, with limited exceptions)

**Board Meeting:** 2<sup>nd</sup> Wednesday of the month (open to all members)

**Fire Safety Meeting:** First Monday of the month (open to everyone)

Meetings start at 6:30 pm at the Lodge. Agendas on SSOA website.

## Membership Dues to increase January 1, 2023!

After several months of consideration and budget discussions, the Board voted to approve a quarterly increase of \$15 (\$5 a month) in membership dues at its October meeting. The increase is a result of the cost of unexpected repairs to Association recreational areas, the necessary removal of fire fuels, the trimming of trees for safety and fire prevention, the replacement of old and failing systems (i.e., septic and electrical panels), and the Association's necessary Operating Costs such as utilities, insurance, collections, etc. The Board had no choice but to increase membership dues.

### Dues Increase for 2023:

- ◆ County maintained roads (Units 1-4) will go from \$160 a quarter to **\$175**
- ◆ Association maintained roads will go from \$180 a quarter to **\$195**
- ◆ Ingress and egress quarterly fees will be **\$40**
- ◆ Moonflower, Foxglove, and Yarrow quarterly fees will be **\$195**

### \$175 Quarterly Dues are allocated as follows:

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| Operating - \$115 | Capital Reserves - \$20 | Forest Reserves - \$20 | Road Fund - \$20 |
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Note: The 2023 Budget is available on the SSOA website at [www.sierraspringsowners.org](http://www.sierraspringsowners.org)

*Power is out and it is cold!* Did you know the Lodge has a backup generator that allows members to use the Lodge when there is a loss of power for extended periods of time? To learn more about using the Lodge and the rules that apply, refer to the CCRS and Rules Page on SSOA's website at [www.sierraspringsowners.org](http://www.sierraspringsowners.org).

*Does SSOA have your email?* Do you know it costs around \$1.27 to print and mail *one* two-page quarterly statement and newsletter. Imagine over 600! Email is free. Not only is it good for the environment, emailing saves money. SSOA is going green in 2023!! Please make sure we have your email.

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*Snow is here! You know what that means;  
Icy roads, shoveling, and the snowplow!  
Remember to move your vehicles off the  
roadside and pick up your waste cans  
quickly! Or the friendly snowplow may take  
them for a ride! Also, be mindful of kids  
walking to and from the school buses.*

### **SSOA Board of Directors:**

Cathy Petersen — President

Jeremy Dornbier — Vice President

Jessikah Cummings — Treasurer

Lynda Cardwell — Secretary

Scott Wheeler — Director

### **Welcome to our New Management Company – Eugene Burger Management Corporation (Eugene Burger)**

Recognizing the increasing needs of the Association and members, SSOA will now use the management services of Eugene Burger, effective January 1, 2023. Eugene Burger comes highly recommended and can provide services not previously available to owners. Additionally, SSOA and Eugene Burger will be using the same software program!

**What does this change mean going forward?** The payment of quarterly dues will now be remitted to Eugene Burger. Any member questions will be directed to Eugene Burger. The company offers more payment options and access to an online portal. You may continue to use your own bank's bill pay service (remember to update the payee information) **or** remit your payment by mail as before (address below). For online payments by e-check (ACH) from your bank account **or** through the new online portal, information will be provided soon.

**What address do you use for bill pay or mailing?** To continue to pay through your bank's bill pay **or** to remit your payment through the mail (put your account # on check): Sierra Springs Owners Association (SSOA) c/o Eugene Burger; P.O. Box 468; Sacramento, CA 95812.

**What about ACH payments and payments through the new online portal?** How to make recurring online bill payments by ACH from your bank account or through the online portal will be provided in the welcome letter you will receive from Eugene Burger. In the meantime, any transactions or payments made to Sacramento Management will be forwarded by the company to Eugene Burger. Note: Sacramento Management will pull the first quarter of January 2023 from the bank accounts of those with ACH on file.

**Eugene Burger's Online Portal** - Once you are registered, the following features will be available. You will be able to view your account information and online statements; submit online payments via e-check, credit card, or debit card; view calendar reminders and download forms and documents, all in one convenient place. Note that credit and debit card charges may incur a 2.5% fee. All other types of payments incur no fee.