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**TIMBERHILL TOWNHOUSES NEWSLETTER  
NOTICES AND EVENTS AT THTA**

**Exciting News**

THTA will begin its review of its Rules & Regulations in mid-April. Three volunteers—Ellen Larson, Jon Krueger and Sue Chelini have stepped up to participate in the R&R updating project. Mary Frances and another Board member (TBD) will round out the committee membership.

As John Shea has pointed out, it is important that we take a good look at the existing rules before we establish enforcement of those rules. So the first step of the committee will be to review the rule material we presently operate under. Once that is accomplished, the committee will report its findings and then THTA will be able to add/delete/rewrite rules that best serve us. We can always use more members, so if you are interested, note that a good deal of the effort can be accomplished in your home and on your schedule. If interested, please contact Mary Frances.

The second piece of exciting news is that, as the minutes state, we are in need of a new chair for the Nominating Committee beginning in 2026. Why is this good news? Because another resident has the opportunity to contribute to the management of Timberhill Townhomes and to get to know its residents. Fortunately, John Nimmo has done an excellent job for eight years and can transfer his expertise in recruitment to the new Chair. If your interest is piqued, please talk to John N.

And the third piece of exciting news? Selecting new Board members (2 new recruits are needed this year)—election in June.

Again, exciting? Yes, and for the same reason as above—meeting fellow residents and contributing to the management of this establishment.

In the discussion at the Board meeting, communication about the Board and elections was stressed, with the following discussion points:

- how to communicate the need for unit owners and residents to volunteer and to inform residents of the names and terms of current Board members.
- add this information to the listing on our website.
- A one-page flyer was suggested, including duties, length of term, current Board members and terms, and any other information relative to Board service. This document can be displayed in the “stands” available from Pam Went.
- Linda Nimmo expressed her concern that those who take on THTA jobs fear that once they take on a job it will be a “life sentence,” as no one else will step up. As the minutes state “No doubt there is truth to that observation”. However—
  - The alternative to volunteer administration is hiring a management company. To be blunt, if you dislike the 2025 monthly payment rise to \$310, consider how you would feel if it doubled or tripled to pay for professional services.
  - And, the more people who volunteer, the less chance of a ‘life sentence’ and more sharing of experience.

The current and past Board members are willing to talk about their experiences; John Nimmo particularly will outline the duties if you ask him; we will follow through with the suggestions above.

And the final piece of exciting news? Spring is coming!

To all volunteers that keep this place running and solvent, safe and friendly – THANK YOU!