



# Eaglewood Homeowners Association

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## Upcoming Events

Open Board Meeting  
Monday, July 8, 6:pm  
Joy Lutheran Church

Bear Paw Festival  
July 10 - July 14  
[bearpawfestival.org](http://bearpawfestival.org)

Girdwood Forest Fair  
July 5, 6, 7  
[girdwoodforestfair.com](http://girdwoodforestfair.com)

## From the President's Desk...

Now that we're well into the summer, we can take long walks with the grandkids on the beautiful trails in our area. However, we have to be careful because we often spot a moose with babies, which can interrupt our walks.

This time of year, much activity is happening on our roads and trails. Here's what's going on:

- Sidewalk replacement and light wiring upgrades along South Mitkof
- Trail and approach replacement to the Alpenglow stairway
- Re-wiring of the J string lights
- Sample boring for ground sub-surface data for North Mitkof road replacement next year

Seth's tireless efforts in clearing the trails, hiring a temporary spring work crew, and sweeping the roads early in the year have been instrumental in maintaining our neighborhood's beauty. He and the summer crew are now focused on their usual maintenance routine and have also planted some replacement trees from deadfall removal.

Kaye continues to be a reliable source of subdivision knowledge. She helps keep our records organized and guides us through the multiple record system upgrades we're dealing with. She also texts and emails to keep us updated on events, providing crucial information for the board to process and make decisions.

Your new board of directors has settled in after the very successful Annual Meeting and is getting comfortable with their responsibilities. There's much to learn, but the board's enthusiasm is solid and engaging.

Even with a full calendar in the coming months, we're already planning next year's capital projects, small equipment upgrades and replacements, and hopefully, the second barbecue meet-and-greet in May. That's just the beginning.

So, as summer continues, walk around our neighborhood as our neighbors' yards come alive with beautiful flower displays. I'm hoping for many sunny days before the snow arrives again.

Steve, HOA Board President

## Capital Improvement Projects in Eaglewood

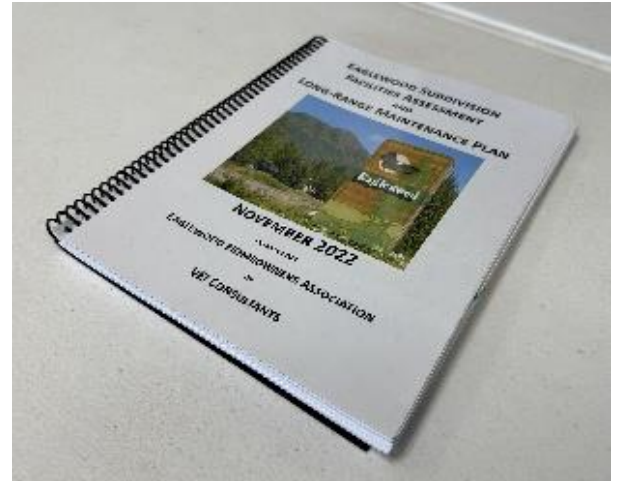
Maintenance is just as crucial to Eaglewood's infrastructure as our homes. Just as maintaining our homes requires monitoring, planning, budgeting, and hiring contractors, the same process applies to our community infrastructure.

The monitoring process requires engineers who can assess the health of streets, trails, drainage, etc.

The Long-Range Planning Committee uses the engineer's study results to meticulously prioritize the needed work in a five-year plan and a projected budget. This thorough planning ensures we maximize our resources and address the most pressing issues first.

Eaglewood's Operations Manager is responsible for hiring and overseeing contractors to complete projects approved by the board of directors.

Summer construction projects in Alaska have a short window of opportunity, and the weather can always derail the best-made plans. However, a good working relationship between the contractor and operations manager can overcome these obstacles.



Earlier this spring, our operations manager, Seth, invited members of the board of directors to accompany him and the two contractors working together to upgrade the sidewalk and lighting in the neighborhood. The group walked the areas on South Mitkof and Squire Circle involved in the current section of the project.

This team approach, which we value, resulted in construction efficiencies and minimized impacts on residents in the construction zone.

We appreciate your patience as the work continues on these projects.

Before: worn and cracked sidewalk



Lighting upgrades & sidewalk prep



Sod will be added to finish the edges

## 2024 Community Meet and Greet



The first community meet and greet was a success!

Over 100 residents enjoyed hot dogs, snacks, and drinks, met new neighbors, and reconnected with acquaintances. Board members and staff were on hand to answer questions and listen to suggestions.

Thank you to the Ressa family for bringing their grill to the event and grilling the hot dogs.

Plans are to make this an annual event, and ideas are always welcome to make it bigger and better.



## Who do you call?

Would you prefer to receive statements and other notifications from Roy Briley Association Management electronically? Let them know by emailing [info@akrbam.com](mailto:info@akrbam.com)

Do you have a water key box that is taller than it needs to be? Contact AWWU at 907 564-2700 to have it shortened. This service is free and can help prevent damage from snow removal equipment.



## Thank You!

Thank you for following the Municipality of Anchorage Ordinance on solid waste management handling.

The lack of bear activity is evidence that our efforts are working. The ordinance keeps our moose calves safer, our trails clear from disgusting trash, and all of us safer.



## Living In A Community

Living in a community can sometimes result in misunderstandings and friction between neighbors. Different backgrounds and experiences can lead to expectations that are not met. Maybe you grew up in a rural setting where kids could roam. Or perhaps you grew up where yards and driveways were available to all neighborhood kids to use as their playground. Please ask before assuming your neighbors are okay with your children enjoying those same freedoms as some neighbors expect their yards and driveways to be respected as their private space.

## Animals of Eaglewood



### ARI

You may have heard that cats tend to have a favorite person, but that doesn't seem to be the case with Ari. Ari loves all attention and is devoted to the one paying her the most at any given moment. She is quick to reciprocate the affection shown to her.

Ari is the pride and joy of long-time devotee to Eaglewood Association, Wally Thomas and his wife, Amy. She was a rescue from the Humane Society and is believed to be a Nebelung or Russian Blue; she is just about six years old.

Ari doesn't really care for other cats, but she sure loves her people and loves to go on walks; you may even see her walking about the neighborhood on leash, Wally in tow. Her other favorite pastimes are chewing up Costco boxes and watching birds out the window.

If you're considering adding a feline friend to your family, we encourage you to reach out to the Humane Society at 907-344-8808 or Alaska SPCA at 907-562-2999. Your decision to adopt can make a world of difference in a pet's life.



### TURBO

Turbo doesn't get the run of the house but rather sleeps in a large tub, relaxes under a heat lamp, and eats his favorite vegetables: cabbage, zucchini, and cucumber.

Weighing under 2 pounds, the 15-year-old Russian Tortoise is sure to bring his family smiles for all their years to come in Eaglewood. He is just a 'youngin', as this type of tortoise lives well over 40 years!

Hopefully, you're at ease in your own shell, just like Turbo, the Russian tortoise.

Do you have a pet you want to be spotlighted? Text Loretta at 907-242-0087.

**Please be respectful  
of the natural beauty of our  
neighborhood.  
Clean up after your pet  
and  
dispose of waste bags properly.**