

TBV Quarterly

THE NEWSLETTER OF TOBACCO BRANCH VILLAGE



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2023

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A Note from the Board of Directors

by Michael Richards - TBVPOA, President

The TBVPOA Board met via conference call on March 14th and May 15th for our quarterly meetings. The minutes for March 14th are posted on our website. Several proposals/motions were made for roads, repairs and upgrades. See below for additional information. Marge and Mary are working on the new directories to be sold at the Annual Meeting on July 1, 2023.

The Board is in the process of hiring a new Accountant and hopefully will have this in place within 30 days.

We continue to recover from the financial hit we took with the 579 property. Please refer to the website for the monthly checking account bank statements and quarterly savings account statements. The Board has voted to increase the 2024 Assessments to \$575.00 for homes and \$270.00 for lots. The 2024 Budget will include additional funds for reserves.

We wish everyone safe travels to and from our beautiful community and look forward to seeing everyone on Saturday July 1 st .
Michael Richards

Road Work Updates

Completed Road Work

- Grading was complete April 10-11, May 11-12, May 22, June 16-17, & June28.
- Two loads of gravel (crusher run) were delivered in May; hillside on Birch Trail and the S-curve at the top of South Rhododendron.
- Clogged ditches, culverts and guardrail breaks were dug out April 14 & 15.
- Two new culverts and a guardrail break were put on Smith Hill Rd. to resolve longstanding drainage issues.
- Branches, brush and briars were trimmed from roadsides throughout our village.

Upcoming Road Work:

- Routine Grading: Usually monthly.
- Ditches, culverts and guardrail breaks need clearing again due to spring rains. Estimates from new vendors in process.
- Several loads of gravel are still needed. Sourcing has been a problem.
- Project needed but may need to wait until 2024: Remove rocks and boulders from roadsides on Azalea Trail and Birch Trail and rebuild ditch system.

Please feel free to contact Kaeli Schurr directly with questions or concerns. (See TBVPOA Directory for contact info.)

Kaeli Schurr, Roads Coordinator

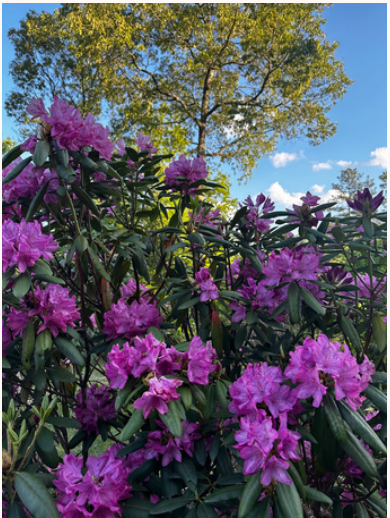


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BEFORE AND AFTER OF REPAIRS MADE TO CREEK IN FRONT OF 579 PROPERTY
PHOTO CREDIT: DONNA HOWARD

Water Updates

Treasurer's Report

Balances as of 4/30/23 were provided in an income and expense report.

The report reflected the following balances:

Checking: \$25,012.07

Savings: \$17,333.62



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Bear Activity in the Valley

A note from the NC Wildlife Commission: North Carolina's human population is increasing and many new homes are built in occupied bear range each year. Black bears are an important part of North Carolina's fauna, and it is ultimately human attitudes toward bears that will determine whether bears will continue to exist in the state. Unfortunately, bears are viewed either as dangerous animals or cuddly pets. It is best to avoid these extreme views and instead show a healthy respect for this magnificent forest animal. By removing all attractants from your home and neighborhood, such as bird feeders, outdoor pet food, and unsecured trash, you are doing your part to ensure that bears and people can live together.



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Link to Educational Video on How to Deal with Bear Encounters:

<https://youtu.be/qZ9GzIMGRMw>

Community News and Updates

Welcome Neighbors!

- Welcome to Walt & Lesa Ingram of Sylva @ lot on Dogwood Road.
- Welcome to Daniel & Anna Reilly from Florida @ 1049 Tobacco Branch Road.

Neighborhood Services

- TBV Pavilion Reservations can be made by calling Marg @ 828-506-1398
- Trash service: Farley Trash Services
 - Contact Samuel Farley for information and to schedule service.
 - 1-828-735-9449
- TBV is on the delivery route for Darnell Farms! Check them out online to order: <https://darnellfarms.square.site/>
- Several Local Charcuterie Services in the area with delivery to TBV
 - Hoot and Wren:
IG @hootandwrenboards
 - Bryson Boards & Baskets:
IG @bryson.boards.baskets
- Masseuse (Local; travels to location): Katlyn Baggarley Eddings-message on FB
- Local Tree Service: Steven Pressley (828 788 9558)
- Cake Your Day: Local cakes and baked goods delivered to TBV and surrounding areas: Click [here](#) for FB page to order!

Fire Safety

- US Forest Service Fire Restrictions Website. Click [HERE](#)!
- Homeowners with Guests: BE AWARE of the conditions and in communication with your guests to prevent an issue from occurring!



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Annual HOA Meeting and Fourth of July Celebration

Annual meeting will be July 1st, 2022

- Meeting starts at 9AM followed immediately by Water Board Meeting
- Dinner begins at 5PM; please make sure dinner orders and payments have been made to Marg.
- Games and Fireworks to follow!
- New directories will be available for purchase at the Meeting. Please provide any updates to Marg!
- A Vegan/Gluten Free option for dinner will be available; please contact Kaeli Schurr for details @ 252-489-8958
- Contact Marge with questions! Reminder card to follow by mail.
Email: marge543@aol.com
Phone: 828-506-1398

Local Area Shenanigans

- Stecoah Valley Events
 - Community Jams
 - Every 3rd Tuesday; 5:30 pm to 7:30 pm
 - Email amber@stecoahvalleycenter.com for a list of our 10 core songs for the first half hour.
 - Sit n' Stitch group
 - Meets weekly on Fridays at Stecoah Valley Center starting at 10 am. All crafts and skill levels welcome. Please call 828-479-3364 for information.
 - Schoolhouse Sit & Knit
 - Every 2nd Tuesday; 5:30 pm to 7:30 pm
 - The Event is FREE to the public – RSVP is recommended. Call 828-479-3364 or amber@stecoahvalleycenter.com.
- Darnell Farms Events click [here!](#)
 - Summer Splash – 6/17/ 23
 - Sweet Corn Festival – 7/1 & 7/2/23
 - Sunflower Hippie Festival – 7/15/23
 - Peach Jam – 8/5/23
 - Mater Fest – 8/19/23
- Bryson City Wine Market
 - Wine Flight Tastings on Fridays!
- Bryson City Outdoors Run Club
 - Tuesday and Sunday runs!
- Nantahala School for the Arts
 - Link to Class Registration is [here](#)
 - Call or email for more information: Jeff Marley, 828-366-2005 or j_marley@southwesterncc.edu
- Harrah's Casino- Cherokee
 - Upcoming Concerts [here!](#)
 - Air Supply, Three Dog Night, Joan Jett, Josh Turner, Three Doors Down
- Swain County Center Events
 - Thursdays line dancing, Deep Creek walks, and much more!
 - Check out the calendar [here!](#)
- Bryson city events listed [here!](#)
- Guided Hikes @ Fontana Village Resort; April 16- April 20th. Info [HERE!](#)

Stecoah Valley Center 2023 Full Concert Schedule

April 15 – Grass of '23

June 11 – Tim Shelton Syndicate

An Appalachian Evening Series

June 24 – Kruger Brothers

July 1 – Buncombe Turnpike

July 8 – Andy Leftwich

July 15 – The Amanda Cook Band

July 22 – Jeff Little Trio

July 29 – NuBlu

Aug 5 – Terry Baucom's Dukes of Drive

Aug 12 – Resonant Rogues

Aug 19 – Seth Mulder & Midnight Run

Aug 26 – Bluegrass All Stars

Nov 25 – Appalachian Road Show

Dec 16 – Appalachian Smoke

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<https://www.facebook.com/GrahamCountyPublicLibrary> <https://www.nrlibrary.org/>

Sew N Sew

Wednesdays

Drop in 10:00

***Bring a project to work on**

***Start a new project**

***Get advice**

***Give advice**

***Fellowship!**

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DISCUSSING NATIVE STORIES AND
DELIVERY & TECHNIQUES WITH
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4TH MONDAY OF EVERY MONTH
BEGINNING MONDAY, JUNE 26TH
STARTING AT 5:30PM