

WindStone Wonders

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IMPORTANT DATES & COMMUNITY REMINDERS:



Board Meeting

WRA Board of Directors meetings are held the second Monday of each month. The next meeting will be held on Monday, March 13th at 7:00pm at the Whisper Creek clubhouse. Residents wishing to address the board are welcome to attend and share their comments and questions at the beginning of the meeting.

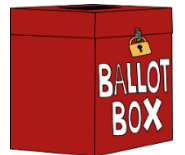
If you have a concern or question but are unable to attend a meeting, please contact the WRA office at 423-763-1953 or office@windstonehoa.org. You can catch up on community updates by reading the meeting minutes. Following board approval at the monthly meeting, the prior month's minutes are posted on the WindStone website www.windstonehoa.org.

HOA BILLING QUESTIONS: Please contact the finance manager, Lisa Crowder, at financial@windstonehoa.org or 423-322-8420 if you have billing questions.

HOME IMPROVEMENTS: Planning a home improvement project? Any changes to the exterior of your home or yard must first be approved by the ARB. Please remember to submit an ARB application **prior** to beginning any exterior changes to your property. The ARB application is available online at www.windstonehoa.org or by contacting WRA at office@windstonehoa.org or 423-763-1953).

WRA ANNUAL MEETING AND BOARD OF DIRECTORS ELECTION:

- Annual Meeting: Monday, March 27th at 7:00pm at New Heights Baptist Church, 158 Ooltewah-Ringgold Road.
- Ballots will start arriving in mailboxes in the next week. Returning your ballot ahead of time, even if you plan to attend the annual meeting, is essential. This enables the Board to verify the quorum requirement has been met.
- The annual meeting cannot be held if the quorum, 330 returned ballots, is not met. Please return your ballot ASAP. Return information is printed on the ballot.
- At the annual meeting, the board will review the 2022 major repairs and improvements along with the proposed 2023 repairs and improvements (budget permitting).
- A financial review of 2022 and the 2023 budget will be discussed, along with a summary of the recent Reserve Fund Analysis Study that was conducted for WindStone.



- At the conclusion of the meeting, the newly elected board members will be announced. In order to be eligible for a seat on the WindStone Residential Association Board, candidates must be a verified homeowner, in good standing with their HOA dues, and have a strong interest in dedicating their time and energy to serving the overall, best interests of the WindStone community.
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2023 WRA BOARD CANDIDATES

Mike Adkins (Whisper Creek) Mike is married and has lived in WindStone for two years. He moved here from Florida where he served on the Worthington Country Club board representing the condo association. Mike worked at Ford Motor Company for 32 years in Ohio, starting on the assembly line and later as an instructor for new hires.

Why I Want to Serve on the Board - Quote from the Candidate: *I am interested in serving on the WRA Board because I love this community and want to contribute to WindStone by listening to residents and their concerns. I am interested in keeping the high standards that make WindStone a desirable place to live while also being open to making changes when it is for the good of all residents.*

Bob Christenson (The Pines) Bob is married, with two adult children, and has lived in WindStone for nine years. He earned a Doctorate in Education from Brigham Young University and is a retired educator who served the public schools in a variety of capacities for 31 years. Bob formerly served as a WRA board member and is eager to, again, serve the homeowners of our community.

Why I Want to Serve on the Board - Quote from the Candidate: *I previously served one term as a member of the WindStone Board of Directors. I enjoy keeping active in my retirement, and what better way than helping as a member of the board of the Board of Directors. I walk the streets of WindStone almost every day with my dog, Molly, and have met many of the residents. I look forward to the opportunity to help the community of WindStone grow stronger in the future.*

Taizsa Gonzalez (Fountain Oaks) Taizsa is married, with four young children, and has been a WindStone homeowner since December 2021. She earned a Bachelor of Science in Psychology from Brigham Young University and has worked in private practice as a counselor since 2016. Taizsa wants to contribute to maintaining the quality of the neighborhood and discuss changes and initiatives to increasingly benefit younger families and develop innovative relational approaches to fostering community cohesion and belonging.

Why I Want to Serve on the Board - Quote from the Candidate: *I think the author Wendell Berry said it best, "A viable neighborhood is a community: and a viable community is made up of neighbors who cherish and protect what they have in common."*

Tena Green (The Village) Tena is married, with children of various ages, and has lived in WindStone for two years. She has a Master of Healthcare Leadership degree and has worked as a healthcare consultant for 32 years. Tena is interested in being involved with important board decisions to make our community a better place to live, including sprucing up parts of the neighborhood.

Why I Want to Serve on the Board - Quote from the Candidate: *I believe serving on the board has the potential to transform our community in positive and exciting ways and I'd like to be a small part in making that a reality.*

Jessica Henn (Lake Haven) Jessica is married with two young children and has lived in WindStone for two years. She has a Master of Business Administration degree. She has worked at Unum as an AVP, in Enterprise Compliance, for 10 years. Jessica is interested in identifying and making recommendations, supporting other's ideas, and contributing to important decision making that results in the long term success and continued growth of the neighborhood.

Why I Want to Serve on the Board - Quote from the Candidate: *With my background in Finance, Audit, and Compliance, I can help make decisions that ensure our HOA money is used effectively and appropriately. I am most passionate about making sure our neighborhood remains a safe place for our families and is well kept to keep our property values high.*

Conor Latham (Fountain Oaks) Conor is married with two young children and has lived in WindStone for three years. He earned a Bachelor of Science in Control Systems Engineering from the US Naval Academy and currently works as a Senior Program Manager at TVA. Conor wants to help steer the community for families like his own while building on the family atmosphere, learn more about the residents, and keep this a neighborhood that everyone is proud to call home.

Why I Want to Serve on the Board - Quote from the Candidate: *I have met lifelong friends since moving to this neighborhood and this has been a great community for our family. I want to help continue to steer this community for the many families like mine in the neighborhood.*

Griffin Lifsey (Fountain Oaks) Griffin is married with four children and has lived in WindStone for two years. He earned a Bachelor of Science in Bioengineering degree from the University of Georgia and currently works at TVA as a Senior Manager of Compliance. Griffin and his family love living in WindStone. He welcomes the opportunity to get more involved in the neighborhood and use his experience as a civil engineer to help the community thrive.

Why I Want to Serve on the Board - Quote from the Candidate: *I want to serve on the board because my family and I have felt such a sense of home and community since moving to Windstone. I would love the opportunity to work to keep Windstone a great place to live.*

Mike Schillaci (The Pines) Mike is married and has lived in WindStone for six years. He has a daughter who also lives in the neighborhood. He is the owner of Plastic Tooling Consulting. Mike wants to use his experience in design engineering and manufacturing to help reduce outsourcing expenses.

Why I Want to Serve on the Board - Quote from the Candidate: *I am interested in helping control HOA fees without reducing HOA benefits.*

Rene Straub (Lake Haven) Rene is married and has lived in WindStone for eight years. She worked as a paralegal for thirty-five years before retiring. She previously served as a WindStone board member. Rene is interested in helping maintain the quality of living in the neighborhood.

Why I Want to Serve on the Board - Quote from the Candidate: *Continuing to maintain the beauty of the WindStone property and future road maintenance are both important issues to me as well as the financial stability of the neighborhood.*

WRA Meeting Highlights for February 28, 2023

The February 28, 2023, WRA Board of Directors meeting was held at the Whisper Creek Clubhouse. Thanks to those who attended. Below please find highlights of the February 2023 meeting:

1. The meeting originally scheduled for February 14, 2023, was cancelled due to a lack of quorum. This meeting was rescheduled for February 28, 2023. Meetings of the WRA Board of Directors are usually held the second Monday of each month at 7 p.m. at the Whisper Creek Clubhouse. Two (2) residents attended the meeting.
2. The WRA Annual Meeting is scheduled for March 27, 2023, at 7 p.m. at New Heights Baptist Church.
3. A Board of Directors Candidates' Meet-and-Greet was held on February 27, 2023, at the Whisper Creek Clubhouse.
4. Ballots for the election of the Board of Directors will be mailed to homeowners no later than March 6, 2023. Owners are encouraged to return their signed ballots as soon as they are received; unsigned ballots cannot be counted toward the quorum. One ballot will be sent per lot and only one signature per ballot is necessary. A majority of ballots must be returned before the Annual Meeting can commence. Ballots can be returned by mail or at the dues' payment slot on the exit side of the gatehouse.
5. The WRA audit has begun for the fiscal year 2022. Owners wishing to receive a copy of the audit upon completion can request one by contacting the Business Manager.
6. Reserve Advisors completed an onsite visit to evaluate WRA common property and infrastructure. They will use this information, along with other data, to analyze WRA's fiscal needs, this review was approved by the Board in 2022.
7. The front resident gate was damaged when a non-resident vehicle pulling a trailer tried to tailgate through the gate. The driver of the vehicle has been located, and an insurance claim has been filed with the driver's insurance company. The WRA insurance company has also been notified. A new gate is scheduled for installation on March 16, 2023. The installation is weather-dependent.
8. The board approved the installation of photo eyes at the front gates.
9. Per board approval, new curbing will be installed on Shay Cove.
10. Several streetlights have been repaired in the past month. The electrician is continuing to work on a faulty streetlight in the Cattails.
11. Replacement swings and basketball nets for the playground have been purchased. Cleaning/power washing of existing equipment and installation of new mulch are being scheduled.

Detailed information on all business conducted at this meeting can be found in the WRA Meeting Minutes for February 28, 2023, which will be posted to the WRA website following their approval by the Board of Directors.