

Idlewild Community
P.O. Box 255
Eagle Nest, New Mexico 87718

December 2022

To All Cabin and Property Owners in the Greater Idlewild Community:

Each calendar year-end the Idlewild Board of Directors asks for your financial support. Your contribution will ensure that we can continue to enjoy our Community Center, and will provide support for maintaining the quality of life in our community.

This is the first year you will pay your solid waste to Idlewild. **Idlewild Residents voted to terminate the Pilot Program, and return back to the County for Solid Waste service. The amount you paid the Village of Eagle Nest last year was \$221, and that fee is increasing. This year Idlewild is charging \$150, so we will be able to prepare a Solid Waste Site that will be completed this Spring.** After the first year, we will charge the actual cost of the service. Thrash is a Mandatory charge, and the County can put a lien on property if not paid. Eagle Nest has verified they will not bill our residents for the Waste Pilot Program, but if you get a bill, do not pay it. Also, at the Annual meeting the residents voted to increase the road fee from \$50 to \$100. We are trying to get all major roads repaired to ensure a ambulance or Fire truck is able to get to you if needed.

Right now we have 65% of the residents paying dues. For those that have not paid , I'm asking you to please reconsider. If all residents pay their share, it will eliminate having to increase the dues for those that are paying members. Please call if you have any questions concerning your dues and how they are used.

Those property owners paying assessments prior to **January 31, 2023**, will be thanked in the spring edition of the *Idle Times* newsletter. In addition, each property unit that remits its assessment by January 31st will receive a complimentary copy of the *Idlewild Community Directory*, which lists residents' names with home and cabin addresses, telephone numbers, email addresses, and more.

Donna Woolsey, *President*

Multiple Assessment Letters

Some properties in the IWCC are linked to more than one individual in our database. In the past, when assessment letters were sent in the fall, the mailing list was generated from the database. If multiple individuals were involved, each of them would receive the same assessment letter. There are of over 100 properties with more than one person involved.

If the individuals of your property group, family, partnership, etc., wish to receive only one annual assessment letter for the property, please notify the Database Committee (see below), stating which of the people involved with your property should receive the letter. We ask for your cooperation in this effort since it (1) reduces the mailing cost for the assessment process, (2) clearly identifies the primary party responsible for the cabin or property, (3) reduces the confusion when several partners in a property receive the same assessment notice, and (4) makes the IWCC Treasurer's collection task more straightforward.

Contact the IWCC Data Management Committee by email: maxitoo@swbell.net, or address 110 Hillside West, Burleson, TX 76028.

Where Do My Assessments Go?

Several people have asked about the benefits they receive from paying assessments to the IWCC. Some of our residents believe that paying the assessment to the Idlewild Community is not needed for them—for example, if they don't live on Idlewild roads, if they pay the Caretaker for work he does for them or pay an extra stipend to him at Christmas, or if they make an offering at Sunday services.

We all donate our time and energy and make financial contributions to keep Idlewild rolling along, but the overhead of a community like ours is deceptively large. Among the expenses are:

- Basic overhead: property and income taxes, insurance, utilities, upkeep and repairs on community property, licenses, supplies, and accounting fees. Projects such as the new caretaker cabin, repairs to the chapel and preacher cabin, and other maintenance requirements are paid for primarily by community funds as well as by contributions from donors. Basic kitchen supplies for community events also come out of assessments. We never know when new, unexpected expenses will arise. For example, several years ago 16 dead ponderosa pines near the Worship Center had to be cut down at a cost of over \$2,000.
- Expenses associated with the community's efforts to improve fire safety by clearing brush, slash, and trees from residents' and IWCC property, as well as by making improvements to evacuation routes in case of fire.
- Contributions to the Eagle Nest Volunteer Fire Department and EMS, who are our first responders in times of crisis.
- Solid Waste -Household trash for the residents of Idlewild, will be paid to Tri State Trash Recycle..
- A annual Directory that is free to early assessment-payers.
- Repair of roads: Repairs and improvements of the Greater Idlewild Community roads by local contractors take large amounts of money. In addition, the Caretaker checks all roads in the Greater Idlewild Community area.
- The Caretaker's salary: In addition to assisting residents directly, the Caretaker constantly works to improve emergency evacuation procedures, support forest health, and deal with trespassing issues. All cabins are checked every 72 hours. His services to the community are too many to list here.

When you pay your assessment, you show that the community matters to you. Our contributions will improve the safety and maintain the beauty of our home on the mountain.

2022 Idlewild Community Assessment Request

Cabin owners:	EMS/Fire	\$ 25.00
	Road Fund	\$ 100.00
	Solid Waste	\$150.00
	General Fund	\$150.00
	Total	\$425.00 (or greater)

**Owners of property only
(no dwellings):**

Road Fund \$ 100.00 (or greater)

YOU CAN PAY ON LINE AT: www.idlewildcommunity.org

Checks should be made payable to "Idlewild Community." Please include the bottom portion of this Assessment Request with your payment. **Payment should be made prior to January 31, 2023. Mail in the enclosed stamped, pre-addressed envelope to:**

Idlewild Community, c/o David Chapman 5627 86th Street Lubbock, TX 79424

Name: Please check if there are ANY changes in the information below: _____	
Mailing Address:	
Preferred Phone (add "c" if cell phone)	Cabin Phone (add "c" if cell phone)
Cabin Address (e.g., 30 Rd. 6)	Property owned (e.g., Block 20, lots 6–12)
Email Address:	<input type="checkbox"/> Check to <u>not</u> display in <i>Directory</i> <input type="checkbox"/> Check to opt into email communications <input type="checkbox"/> Check to opt into electronic receipt of <i>Idle Times</i>
Principal person responsible for property (see "Multiple Assessment Letters" article)	

Additional person sharing ownership of this property. Please include home address, phone numbers, and email address (Additional persons sharing ownership can be listed on the back of this sheet.)

- Check to not display in *Directory*
- Check to opt **into** IWCC email
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