



Sharon McDaniel Mitchum

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So do we have a boundless amount of resources available to those houses at the front of the neighborhood? Looks like our money is on private property. and I'm guessing that corral fencing is ok now?

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Helen Grahl Kumpel

Hi Sharon, the trees that were planted on private property were purchased by the homeowners (not the association), Ben and several other residents who wanted to assist with the beautification of Forest Brooke contributed their own money for the portion of the trees planted on residents property. This is because the HOA is not allowed to purchase anything that will be used on private property. Ben built the small section of corral fencing where spacing for trees was insufficient. We should all commend Ben as he has spent a great deal of his own time and money doing things to improve the neighborhood. I'm sure if there are things you would like to see done he is open to suggestions and will take them into consideration. :)

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Charlene Ball Ryan

Kudos to Ben Bayanati for all his hard work and contribution to our neighborhood. He has done a great job in making the entrance look better than it ever has. He certainly has contributed much for the betterment of all our property values.

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Tammy Foster

Sonja Johansen said the association paid \$955.00 for the cypresses. She, like most residents, was unaware of additional private contributions. Whether it was private or association's money, there should be more communication and transparency - why is it that only a handful of residents know about who spent on what and how much? Communication-wise, we only have Sonja, and in turn she refers residents to the board for answers - and how can the board members be reached if their contact details are not available to the "general public" of this subdivision? Sharon's concerns reflect those of many residents, a letter or email sent to all residents prior to implementation would have helped ease people's concerns - after all, we are paying big money for the HOA dues.

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Thanks for some answers. My hat's off to Ben for his work - he's out there every day working tirelessly to make the entrance to our neighborhood look great.

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Ben Love

@Tammy - you're absolutely right about communication, and the HOA approached me recently to retool the community website to make it far closer to real-time for news and information rather than having to wait until the quarterly update. I'm knee deep in developing this and am hoping to have the first version available for review and comment in the next few days. There'll be more info on when this will be ready for prime-time over the next week.

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Ben Love

To reach the HOA directly - hoa@forestbrooke.org

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Cathy Soroka

Ben, thanks for all if your hard work in making forest Brooke a more attractive place to live, I see you out almost every day working hard and we appreciate it !!

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Eileen Bayanati

Hello everyone. Today I joined the Forest Brooke facebook group and since Ben is not on Facebook, he asked me to write a few lines. In Dec. when I joined the HOA board, I did not realize how much of our time was required as board members. Myself, La... **See more**

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Eileen Bayanati

oops, Eileen hit send in error. To continue the last comment, thanks so much to Ben Love for taking the lead and getting our website revamped so we all can communicate through the Forest Brooke website to keep everyone informed and to enable all resid... **See more**

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Tammy Foster

Ben/Eileen Bayanati, thank you for the answers, and Ben, you are not only a hardworking man, but also one of the friendliest in the community, greeting people as often as you would see them.

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