



# SPRING 2022 NEWSLETTER

## A Note from the Assistant Clerk

Mary Langley, Assistant Clerk

Greetings residents,

I hope everyone had a safe and wonderful winter. Most of us are looking forward to warmer weather and spending more time outdoors. We have a lot of new residents in the Village since last winter, so you will probably be seeing a lot of new faces.

I want to take a minute to remind everyone, that if you have an account set up online to pay your utility bill through Xpress Billpay, make sure you are checking it regularly to update credit card information and email addresses. The Village does not maintain Xpress Billpay accounts for residents. Also, if you move away from a residence make sure you are disabling the Xpress Billpay account.

Wishing everyone a safe and enjoyable spring/summer!

## EMS

Jeremy Fiedler, Division Chief

Greeting from your Bosque Farms EMS Division. I want to start by again saying thank you to all those who donated to our heart monitor fund. We ordered a new Life Pack 15 and it will be delivered in the coming months, until then the company sent us a loaner machine to use until ours is delivered and in service. Our new ambulance was delivered just before Christmas and has been serving the residents of Peralita and Bosque Farms since January. Please enjoy your summer and remember to stay well hydrated.

## From the Clerk's Office

Gayle A. Jones, Clerk

Happy Spring!! Yes, I'm still here. I found it necessary to postpone my retirement to June 30, 2022. However, even with the setbacks, I am happy to announce that Council has hired Melissa Velasquez as my replacement. Melissa comes to us from the City of Espanola and has 7 years of experience. She is catching on very quickly and I am absolutely thrilled to have her on board! I feel like I am leaving the Village in very capable hands.

The election on March 1, 2022, went well and we are happy to welcome Tim Baughman and Michael Cheromiah to the Governing Body. We would also like to thank William Kennedy for his years of service to the Village and Rick Goshorn for his service on the Council.

Please don't forget the primary election coming up. There will be early voting at the Library from 10AM to 6PM Monday through Saturday beginning on May 21, 2022 and ending on June 4, 2022. Primary Election Day is June 7, 2022, from 7AM to 7PM.

The Village will be doing the Summer Recreation Program this year! We are looking for an adult supervisor and 2 youth recreation leaders. If you know of someone interested in working for the Summer Recreation Program during June and July, please have them turn in an application. I won't be here for the next newsletter, so I just want to thank you all for 17 wonderful years as your Clerk/Administrator. It has been an absolute pleasure to serve each and every one of you! My plan is to continue to run with Bosque Farms Rescue 5, so I will still be around. As always, if you have questions or concerns, my door is always open.

## Village of Bosque Farms

### Holiday Schedule

New Year's Day.....	12/31/2021
President's Day.....	02/21/2022
Good Friday.....	04/15/2022
Memorial Day.....	05/30/2022
Independence Day.....	07/04/2022
Labor Day.....	09/05/2022
Veteran's Day.....	11/11/2022
Thanksgiving.....	11/24/2022
Day After Thanksgiving.....	11/25/2022
Christmas Day.....	12/26/2022

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## Office Hours

- Village Office** (505) 869-2358  
Monday - Friday 8am to 5pm
- Police Department** (505) 869-2358  
Monday - Friday 8:00am-4:30pm
- Police Dispatch Center** (505) 865-9130
- Library** (505) 869-2227  
Monday - Friday 10:00am - 4:30pm  
Saturday/Sunday CLOSED
- Court Clerk Office** (505) 869-9231  
Monday - Friday 7:30am - 11:30am, 12:30pm-4:30pm  
Court is held Tuesday & Thursday at 9:00am
- Community Center** (505) 869-5133

**Website:**

[www.bosquefarmsnm.gov](http://www.bosquefarmsnm.gov)

## Bosque Farms Police Department

Andrew Owen, Chief

Please take note when contacting the police department, the village office phone number (869-2358) should only be utilized to obtain administrative type services. This is the number to the department's Administration and Records Clerk, and should be used only to retrieve a report, speak with a supervisor or leave a message for a specific officer. **If you need the assistance of a police officer or need to report a crime, please call the Valencia Regional Emergency Communications Center (DISPATCH) at 865-9130. To report a crime in progress or to report an emergency, dial "911".** Please always be aware of your surroundings and call DISPATCH to report any suspicious activity.

If you have not heard, we are now connected to Crime Stoppers and have received some great tips that have led to apprehensions. This is a huge asset to our department and our community. The number to contact the 24 hour anonymous tip line is: 505-843-7867 or you may also email them at [www.crimestoppersnm.com](http://www.crimestoppersnm.com).

We've observed an increase in calls for service from residents in regards to fraud calls. Subjects are calling our residents and stating that they are with the electric company or gas company. The subject(s) then tell the resident that they are behind on the payments and to make a payment via visa gift card or the green dot cards. Businesses will not ask for payment in that form. If you have a suspicion it's a fraudulent caller, hang up and contact the company you regularly conduct business with to verify before providing any payment information.

There has also been an influx in internet scams. Scammers will send an official looking e-mail or text message in regards to late payments or a rebate from a company. **DO NOT** open the message or e-mail. It will inevitably place a virus on your device to extract banking information. Contact the company via their website should you have any questions. This is the safest way to correspond with them.

Thanks to our wonderful Community Watch volunteers who continue doing a great job making our Village a safer place for everyone. If you would like to be added to our community watch list, please stop by the Village office or police station and fill out a form.

Please be watchful for families walking and riding their bikes. School is out for the summer and that means we have a lot of families enjoying the outdoors. Watch your speed and always be alert.

It is warmer and people are getting out. We encourage everyone to have a wonderful time outdoors enjoying the fresh air. As a reminder, the Village of Bosque Farms **does not** have an ATV ordinance. This means that it is not permitted to operate an ATV within the Village limits unless you are on your private property.

Please remember to call dispatch at 865-9130 to file a report, speak with an officer, or report suspicious activity. And of course, dial "911" for emergencies. The police department's business hours are Monday through Friday, 7:30 am to 4:30 pm. The administrative number for the police department is 869-2358.

And of course, last, but not least; we would like to take this time to thank our wonderful community for their continued support. Because of your support, the Officers continue to provide the best service for our citizens. From the bottom of our hearts, we thank you.

## Bosque Farms Rodeo Assoc.

The BFRFA is a Non-Profit Organization where all Members are Volunteers and donate their time, skills and knowledge to accomplish various task for the Organization. The facility was founded in approximately 1952 and is the hub of this rural community. Anyone is welcome to join and there is a membership fee.

We host several events throughout the year. We have Tuesday Night Barrels - Racing Practice that's open to everyone to sharpen their skills or to just have fun. On November 5<sup>th</sup> we will have our biggest fund raiser – Cowboys Night Out. We also rent out Cowboy Hall and the Arena for special occasions. With the rental we furnish the Tables, Chairs and you have use of the Kitchen.

We are currently seeking applicants for the Royalty Contest for the Bosque Farms Community Fair to be held the first weekend in August. The Royalty contestants will be selected based on horsemanship, personality, and appearance. The Royalty will be crowned on Saturday August 6<sup>th</sup> during the fair and will be introduced during the Open Rodeo later that evening. After the Bosque Farms Community Fair Parade we will be hosting a Pancake Breakfast that is by donation.

Please call 505-869-2096 for more information.

## Village Information

### Mayor:

Russell Walkup

### Council Members:

Ronita Wood

Bryan Burks

Tim Baughman

Michael Cheromiah

### Planning & Zoning Meetings:

Held on the 1st Monday of each month.

### Village websites:

<https://bosquefarmsmn.gov/>

<https://bosquefarmsmn.gov/government/codes-and-ordinances/>

<https://bosquefarmsmn.gov/wp-content/uploads/complaint-form.pdf>

**Council Meetings:**  
Held every 3rd Thursday of each month.

## WATER INFORMATION

### **Water Leak Reports**

If you feel like that your consumption is high or you suspect a leak, don't hesitate to call. We can download a report from your radio read water meter that will give us leak information, which will show an intermittent leak or a continuous leak, or no leak at all.

### **Disconnect/Reconnect Fees**

If we are called out to shut off water service due to leaks and repairs, a **\$15.00 disconnect fee** to shut off the water will be billed to your water account. In addition, a **\$15.00 reconnect fee** will be billed when the water is turned back on.

Reminder: The base rate for water increase is 2%and the base rate for sewer increase is 3% on July 1 of every year.

## BOSQUE FARMS FAIR UPDATE

Mark your calendars for the 83rd Bosque Farms Community Fair on August 5th & 6th at the Bosque Farms Rodeo Association grounds. Friday starts off with an Ice Cream Social to kick off the Fair and then follows up with the famous Toad Races!! Our BF Fire Department Hot Dog Stand will be selling hot dogs/chips/soda Friday evening on the patio. Saturday the Parade line-up is between 7:30am-8:30am – Parade starts at 8:30am, more details will be in the Fair book.

The Schedule of Events is still being finalized so please check our Facebook page and website often for updates on all your favorite events. Watch for the Fair book at your local stores coming out in mid June.

We want to thank the community and community neighbors for the wonderful support you've given the Fair over the years. Without our volunteers donating their time, the Fair would not exist.

The Schedule of Events is still being finalized so please check our Facebook page and website for updates.

[www.bosquefarmsfair.com](http://www.bosquefarmsfair.com)

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[mrget.org@gmail.com](mailto:mrget.org@gmail.com).

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## Utility Department

David Chavez, Utilities Director

Spring is here and plants are growing! Please keep in mind, it makes it easier for your utility workers when weeds, and debris are maintained around your grinder pump stations, electric boxes, and water meters. It also makes the job go faster so your back in service sooner.

If your light or buzzer ever goes off on your grinder pump, please call right away. During business hours, call the office, 869-2358. After hours or holidays, call dispatch, 865-9130. We are on 24-hour call service and there are no reset buttons for you to push for the grinder pump. A little reminder you can stop the buzzer if you push the button on the lower left side of the control box the light will remain lite.

A reminder grinder pumps aren't made to shred wipes and don't work well with grease and oils.

The Village of Bosque Farms Water department takes pride in providing clean, safe and affordable water. It is important to check for leaks regularly around your property and inside your home. A small leak over a billing cycle can add up quickly. A little tip check those running toilets and swamp coolers. Please call if you notice that your bill has increased, and you have not used any more water than usual. Your utility operators will gladly help investigate or determine if you have a leak.

We have completed the consumer confidence report (CCR) for 2020 if you would like to check out how your water is doing, we have it on the web site [www.bosqueframs.gov/water](http://www.bosqueframs.gov/water).

Rehab on the UV system is now competed at the water treatment plant.

We will soon start to spray for mosquitoes, you will see us out about sunset.

We would like to welcome Nick Gipson to the Village of Bosque Farms family. He has joined our team of utility operators.

## Yucca Little League

Estevan Vargas

Saturday morning, spring crispness is in the air, dew is on the grass and the sound of cheers and the crack of a bat hitting a hard thrown curve can be heard at Yucca League Fields. Baseball season has arrived! This season is off to a promising start! Yucca is getting about 350 kids into baseball uniforms and onto the fields. Opening day was April 2nd and it was a BIG success!

Also, we are proud to announce that we will be buying new equipment for all divisions! We are able to do this from the generosity of our Sponsors! 100% of all sponsorship goes towards equipment for the kids and fields!

A reminder to all parents and visitors to Yucca, please do not park in the Bosque Farms Community Center Parking or the Farmers Market, the parking spaces are very limited for them, thank you for your help with this.

Come and buy some snacks from our snack bar, they will be open Mon-Sat. Hours: Mon-Fri, 5:00pm-7:00pm

Saturday's: 8:30am - 1:00pm

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## P&Z / Code Enforcement

Mike Montoya, P&Z Administrator  
(505)252-7222  
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### Commission Information:

I would like to encourage all Village residents to come and take part in these meetings. This is where ordinances are developed, subdivisions, variances, conditional use permits, and much more are considered. These discussions have a large impact on your community so please be informed and be involved, this is your community.

I want to remind everyone that most development in the Village requires a permit. "Development" doesn't just refer to new homes being built. Development can include sheds, carports, some fencing materials, roof repairs, and more. The permitting also gives you important information regarding the placement of development such as setbacks from property lines. Bosque Farms is in the Flood Plain and it is important to record impermeable surfaces in the floodplain, so some things may not be as apparent to permit such as pouring concrete for walkways and patios or placing pavers, even some fence choices may have an impact on flooding.

We have two new Commissioners that have been appointed to your Planning and Zoning Commission. Michael Baber and Chris Gillespie.

### Community report:

We are in that weed time of year, a time that none of us like. 7-3-4 (A) Owner/occupant responsibility: (1) The person in charge of the real property is required and responsible to take the appropriate action for the control of weeds in conformance with this section: (a) on the real property owned or occupied by them; (b) In the alley and/or public utility easement abutting such real property to it center line; and (c) In the area between such real property and the edge of any abutting street. (2) Each such person in charge of property shall destroy, cut, control, and remove such weed as often as the growth and condition of such weeds may require in order to maintain a maximum height of 12' inches. Last year 272 citations were issued for weeds, this takes time and money from the community especially when it goes to court.

The Village of Bosque Farms has 372 active business license registrations, anyone prior to engaging in any business activity must be licensed with the village. 52 of those licenses did not renew their license on March 16, 2022 as required by 5-1-4 and will be deactivated.

The Village of Bosque Farms issued 132 building permits, 18 of those being new homes in 2021, denied 3 permit requests, 4 cease and desists. We have issued 25 building permits so far this year.

We have had one recreational cannabis business that has been approved to open in the Village of Bosque Farms. For further information and ordinances for this type of business please refer to <http://www.ecode360.com/BO3202>

## Community Center

Rose Poitras, Director  
(505)869-5133  
ccdirector@bosquefarmsnm.gov

The community center would have little to offer without an active pool of volunteers. My heartfelt thanks are extended to all those who give of their time, talents, and ability! In large and small ways, these services play such a vital role in impacting individual lives as well as the community at large.

As schedules, abilities and activities change, the need for volunteers continues. For example, substitutes are occasionally needed to assist with serving the senior meals or to lead an exercise class. When approached with an idea for a new activity, I do my utmost to work with someone who is willing to take a lead role. For this reason, almost everything being offered is free and when there is a suggested donation, it is used to either cover supplies or gasoline!

It's not beyond me to reach out to the community to stir up interest! The following may not all be glamorous, but are volunteer opportunities to consider:

- Dance Instructor - either coming a half hour before dances begin to help newbies gain a little more confidence on the dance floor or having a regularly scheduled class
- Spanish Class Facilitator/Instructor - using a computer program or preparing lessons
- Arts & Crafts or Painting Coordinator/Instructor
- Sweeping/Cleaning after meals or activities

A monthly community email is sent out to those wishing to receive it. It includes the current activities calendar, the senior menu, flyers for some of the center's activities, as well as other community activities and resources. The calendars and menus are also available on-site weekday days.

## Letter from the Library

Toni-Lynn Hart, Director

The Bosque Farms Public Library, like the trees and the flowers, is blossoming with splendor this spring.

Programs just like spring have returned to Bosque Farms. Library Week sprouted our return to programs. Programs that are growing here are Storytime for adults, toddlers, babies and preschoolers music and movement for preschoolers, games and Legos for school age and teens, dance basics for school age children, and adult book club. We will continue to add programs as interest increases.

The library is also planting and seeding ideas and events for the Summer Reading Program 2022. The theme for this year's program is Oceans of Possibilities. The program will sprout on June 13 and will continue to grow for 5 weeks through July 19, 2022. The exciting rows of entertainment include Lin the Hat Lady, who will be here to kick off the Summer Reading Program with her Ukulele, songs, and storytelling. The Recycle man will present his Drums Around the World performance. His program is an enticing hands-on event with audience participation. The musical trio, Los De Flores De Valle will entertain us with their mesmerizing talent. The programs will be held in the beautiful park behind the library, in the shade of the trees, bring your own chair or blanket, and a snack and cool drink. All ages 0-110 are invited to participate in the Summer Reading Program. Come join in the fun, prizes, and crafts.

Many exciting things are flourishing around the library. Like the Bradford pear trees and the daffodils we are in full bloom here at the Library. On Friday March 25th we had our first person to sign into OverDrive e-books. It is so exciting to have this service available for the Bosque Farms Public Library patrons.

Ancestry Library Edition is now available for library users in the facility. Genealogists can come to the library to use Ancestry for free. We will also have a beginners Genealogy class to assist patrons in finding their ancestors and heritage. Users can watch their family trees grow and blossom.

As with all plants, Libraries also need an abundance of light to be robust and beneficial. Therefore, we have new lighting in the library. It was finished on March 28. We also have a brand new and wonderful PA system for our programs.

As we move along from season to season, we have plans to continue to grow and flourish here at the Bosque Farms Public Library. Please call or visit Bosque Farms Public Library 505-869-2227 for more information on upcoming events. Our new email address is

BosqueFarmsPublicLibrary@bosquefarmsnm.gov

## Growers Market

George Torres, Market Manager

Its spring in the Land of Enchantment and this is the planting season for our food supply that is fresh local, tasty and ripened on the vine for harvest season.

Our vendors starting at 8AM until 12 noon on the 9th of April will have fresh veggies and plant starts so you, if you care to, raise your own fresh vegetables. Our locally produced PLANT STARTS from our own NMDA Licensed approved growers/vendors.

This event will continue through October weather permitting.

Your support for this market is greatly appreciated which aids in our local economy for your friends and neighbors that take pride and take great pride for their small part to try stem the out flow of US currency. Stay at home, stay safe, eat fresh.

## NHN Program

Bob & Mary Courtney

Sponsored by the Bosque Park Neighborhood Association, (BPNA)

Because of the Federal and State guidelines at the time, relating to the COVID-19 Pandemic, we were not able to conduct business as usual. Preceding the 2021 Thanksgiving holiday, Los Lunas Schools were on remote learning only. Thus, we weren't able to distribute anything to needy students and their families. However, even with all the restrictions, five families received timely Walmart gift cards for Christmas 2021. Each family received a \$100 gift card. This was only possible because of assistance from the Bosque Farms Elementary School's Gifted Teacher Suzanne Sais and the School Counselor.

With the current relaxed health guidelines, we hope to be more active for 2022.

As always, we extend our best wishes for good health and happiness to all Bosque Farms residents, First Responders and Essential Workers.