



February, 2021: The very short newsletter

1. It's pretty cold outside. Winter. Michigan. Ah, well.
2. Our roads are icy. We currently pay our snow plowing contractor to de-ice the entrances at James and Lakewood, but this week, because of the temperatures, the de-icer is less efficient than it might be in a week or two--or than it was a week or so ago. This month, the board discussed (as past boards have done) the problem of ice. Like past boards, we concluded that walkers and drivers need to exercise caution when on ice. In order to keep costs down, to keep unwanted chemicals out of our ponds, and to avoid the problems we foresee if we de-ice one resident's frontage and not another's, the board will not authorize more routine de-icing.

Downtown Holland has snowmelt. It is friendly to walkers and dogs, and only ten minutes away by car. Consider walking there this winter. Chances are, you'll meet your neighbors.

3. By now you are aware that Holland BPW is supplying the association water. (It used to come from the township.) HBPW has just announced they will be replacing all meters with new, more technologically advanced equipment. **If you live in a unit that houses the building's meter (there is one meter per building), or a unit that houses one of the thirteen meters that regulate our sprinkling system**, you will need to make an appointment to have your new meters installed. We learned about this only on February 8, and have no details. If, however, you are one of the nearly sixty residents whose unit is involved, we are scrambling to find out what we and you must do. We will be in touch.
4. Stay safe, sign up for those vaccines, and exercise patience and kindness in all you do.

Yours, The Board