

## Jeannette V. Williams

I live at 4 Lynnbroom Lane. My husband and I have lived here for 17 years this coming March. For the past 25 years I have worked for a company where I lead 8 associates and am a hybrid associate, working from home 3 out of 5 days per week. I have served as Mayor of the Town of Cheswold for 2 terms and helped to create some of the Town ordinances and was Police Commissioner for a brief period. My husband and I have three grown sons.

Some things I'd like to work with the Board on. . .

- Working on our HOA Bylaws, updating them to suit our community would be a great start in my opinion. Our bylaws were created by the Lacrosse Home builders and were really created for the benefit of the builder. Our HOA dues were created with the expense of a pool, clubhouse and tot lot maintenance included as well as the usual maintenance. The homeowners in this development that pay their dues should not pay for the maintenance of the entire development. Once the bylaws are updated including a fee schedule, and adopted, we can then work out how to legally enforce them.
- Having transparency between our Board and the community, I feel would help the residents understand the why and what we are paying for. We all should be paying our dues and by contributing, we should know where and how our money is being spent. Transparency, to me, is a great way for our community to understand the daily needs and expenses that are needed to keep up our community. It also lets everyone know why and what they are paying for. Knowing what's going on in the community, repairs that are needed and to what, can possibly prompt one of our own residents to repair something that is their specialty or in their field and maybe we won't have to pay for it/save the community some money if we can make our own repairs. We do have a lot of talented residents who may be willing to help out. We may know of contractors that do particular work that could submit bids to do work as well.
- I would like to work on getting the community together so that we can get to know each other as residents and neighbors. We, as a community, can vote on and agree to activities to do together and how to come up with funds to create these activities. We used to have a Neighborhood Watch, with some of the things that go on in our neighborhood, this would be something good to start again.

There are many concerns that can and should be addressed within our community. I think if we have a more visible and responsive HOA, we can create a more cohesive and active community. Please feel free to contact me anytime.

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