

My name is Susan Proulx, and my husband Art and I have enjoyed living in Beaver Lakes for over a year now. I would like to be considered for a spot on the BLE Board to become more involved and engaged in this community that I value. As a full-time resident and experienced board member for many organizations, I feel that my contributions will be worthy of your support.

First, I cannot describe exactly how lucky and blessed I feel to reside in BLE. My dad brought me to CO when I was 12 years old, and I proclaimed that one day I would live here. Luckily for me, I married a huge ski enthusiast and outdoorsman, and we have always agreed that we would end up out West. While the requirements included access to skiing and hiking, my biggest pre-requisite was that we have a neighborhood! I received a B.S. in "Leisure Management" from UNH, and here I can utilize my major every day! Just walking through BLE and taking in the majesty of the views and the wildlife is something I am awed by, but my favorite thing so far has been the people! I have found a community of fun loving and kind people willing to assist and open their hearts and homes to us. I am very eager to make connections, to start-up neighborhood events and programs, and generally move forward with changes that will bring us all together!

Art and I lived in NJ for over 30 years, and even after my move to CO, I have continued as a board member for The Drew McLachlan Fund. (www.thedrewfund.com) My stint began as treasurer, and now, the head of the scholarship committee. The organization propagates Drew's memory throughout my old hometown supporting local youth and cancer treatment efforts. Before that, I was a six-year trustee for Middle Earth NJ (www.middleearthnj.org) and served approximately five years on the Somerset Medical Center Auxiliary Board. All of these interactions have laid the groundwork for teamwork, cooperation and productivity.

My husband and I run our business out of our home, and I am currently the Office Manager for Blades, Crout and Proulx, LLC. I greatly enjoy my mountain view while handling my part-time job involving bookkeeping, human resources and administrative duties for our Risk Management firm. Prior to that, I was the Branch Manager for the NJ office of United Rentals for 12 years. The budgeting processes, union negotiations and management initiatives that I enacted there are invaluable skills that I feel can benefit any organization, including the Board of Beaver Lakes Estates.

My goals for board membership would be to foster communication between the Board and homeowners, to interpret practical implementation of the rules and by-laws, and push forward initiatives that would benefit the community as a whole. I feel that my financial background, decisiveness and communication skills will be of value. We are gifted to live in this pristine environment. As individual homeowners we should feel valued and heard, and as a group, we need to tend to our common areas, both literally and figuratively. I eagerly look forward to melding those goals by working on the Board.

Thank you for your consideration!

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