## **Desert Cove Homeowners Association**

Vice President
Rhonda Van Lent
January 2024
(Temporary assignment)
2<sup>nd</sup> vear of 2-year term

I have been in the Cove for over two years and my husband and I love it here. We moved from Edmonton, Alberta to escape the harsh winters and to be closer to family. I have spent about half of my life in B.C. and the other half in Alberta so I feel comfortable in both places. We have a daughter on the Coast and a son back in Alberta. I am a teacher and work for Vernon Public Schools on a casual basis on call. Now that our house is basically finished, we hope to have more time to get out golfing, biking, hiking, and enjoying everything the region has to offer.

I have had several different careers in addition to being a wife and mother. I have taught kids for over 25 years, and have worked as a Massage Therapist, Journalist, Special Needs Assistant, Clerical Assistant at the College Library in Prince George, Recreation Instructor for Kamloops Parks and Rec, and various other jobs over the years. I have attended several different universities in Canada and also lived in the Dominican Republic for a few years, where I learned to speak Spanish, which I am gradually forgetting as the years go by! I have been involved in many different volunteer capacities and like to help out where I can.

I enjoy being outside, and you will usually find me at one of the local dog parks with our energetic labradoodle or else doing a lap around the Cove on the daily. I enjoy hiking, biking, exercising, and being outside with friends and family. I have an interest in health and wellness and like listening to podcasts and learning about different ways to optimize my health. I enjoy going to church and being involved in special events here in the Cove.

I am a newbie to the Board and realize that I have a great deal to learn about the Cove and all the many activities that take place within it. I am willing to lend my time and energy to whatever tasks my position has for me and to do it to the best of my ability. I hope that my service will be useful to this great community that we live in.