

NEWSLETTER

Banbury Meadows Homeowners Association

March 2016

(Banbury HOA Website: <http://www.banburymeadows.org>)



URGENT REQUEST - REVISION TO CC&R's

In early January each homeowner was sent a Ballot Form proposing changes to the Banbury Meadows Covenants, Conditions and Restrictions (CC&R's). The purpose of these changes and updates is to provide guidance to future boards how to improve the operation of the Association, manage our budget and restrict the use of funds set-aside for the Reserve Study.

The board requests your urgent attention to complete this ballot, if not already done, and encourages members to vote "yes" to each of the proposed changes. Based on HOA policy we need at least 50% of all of the homeowners to complete the ballot (one vote per lot). Failure to reach this goal will nullify the voting process and result in the loss of time and money spent to present the ballot to our membership. Your vote counts, please do not miss this opportunity to make your voice heard and help improve our community and association. In the event you did not receive a ballot or have mis-placed it, please contact our HOA Management Company, Development Services, and they will be happy to send you another ballot. You can return the ballot by mail or turn it in at our Annual Membership Meeting on 29 March.

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REMINDER

**Annual HOA General Membership
Meeting, Tuesday, March 29th**

Our Annual HOA Meeting will be held on Tuesday, March 29th at the Banbury Golf Club-house. There will be a "meet and greet" at 5:30 PM and the official meeting will begin at 6:00 PM.

The following Agenda is provided for your information and planning:

- Welcome and Introduction of Board Members
- Minutes of 2015 Annual Meeting
- ACHD Traffic Survey
- Introduction to Eagle Police Department
- Amendment to the CC&R's
- Waterway Committee Report
- Landscape Update
- 2015 Final Financial Report
- Budget for 2016
- Homeowner Questions
- Adjournment

The official meeting notice, and related documents, have been sent to homeowners by DSI. In the event you did not receive the packet or have questions, please contact our Association Manager (DSI), Brenda Hines at Tel # 208-939-6000 or by email brenda@dev-services.com.

We look forward to seeing you on Tuesday, 29 March.

Safety/Security Briefing
Eagle PD & Ada County Sheriff's Office

The Board is pleased to announce that the Eagle Police Department and Ada County Sheriff's Office will be presenting a briefing at our Annual Meeting (29 March) addressing Security and Safety in the Home and our Neighborhood. In case you did not get a copy circulated previously, we would like to share with you a helpful and in-

formative Security Guide provided by the Police Department (guide is attached/linked to the email transmitting this Newsletter). The guide outlines many helpful hints for homeowners to enhance the security of their home and our community. The Officers attending our meeting will be prepared to answer questions homeowners may have during their presentation.

Ada County Highway Department (ACHD)
Traffic Survey

In response to concerns within the community about traffic speeds and increased traffic volumes in Banbury Meadows, the HOA Board approached the Ada County Highway Department (ACHD) to conduct a traffic survey. Based on the Board's request, in March ACHD Traffic Engineers installed traffic counters and speed monitors on Oakhampton, Colchester and Chipper Way. They compared the data from a previous traffic and speed study in 2010. They determined that over the past six years, the amount of Banbury Meadows traffic has decreased, but average speed and the number of speeders have increased. The roadway with the largest increase in speeders was Colchester, but small increases were also observed on Oakhampton. While the average speed on Colchester was 25 MPH, over half (51.3%) of drivers exceeded the posted speed limit of 25 MPH. On Oakhampton, the average speed was only 23 MPH, but still over a third (37.0%) exceeded the posted speed limit. An evaluation was done to determine if either of the roadways met the criteria for Traffic Calming Measures (Speed Bumps), but neither roadway met the minimum requirements. It was also determined that police enforcement would be the most effective means for reducing the speed. The HOA Board has provided the ACHD traffic data to the Eagle Police Department for review and consideration of possible increased enforcement measures.

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Landscaping & Irrigation



This is the beginning of our second year with Aloha Landscaping, which is led by Michael Addis, Operations Manager. With Aloha joining our team late in the 2015 Season, we are working closely with Michael and his crew to improve the appearance of our community and the common area landscaping in 2016. The services provided by Aloha at this point have been excellent and we expect to make significant changes to our community landscaping this season. We have asked Michael and his team to make suggestions as to what blooming plantings (primarily perennials) would be best suited for our entrances into Banbury Meadows and along Chipper Way and determine what high maintenance plants should be removed and/or replaced. We are also looking at options to enhance the appearance of our circles/roundabout islands by planting more aesthetic low maintenance plants and shrubs. Plans are underway to replace two trees at the Colchester entrance that were damaged by high winds last year and had to be removed. In addition, the trees knocked down and damaged this last winter due to a vehicle accident, on the island/circle adjacent to the 10th green on Colchester, will be replaced. Homeowners with suggestions on recommended landscaping improvements or who would be willing to serve on a Landscaping Committee are asked to contact Development Services, Brenda Hines.

Reactivation of Pump Station #3:

In an effort to improve our irrigation water pressure this season, the Board issued a contract with our local pump company to reactivate Pump Station #3. This station was temporarily shut down about 2 years ago due to the poor quality of water it was drawing from a ground water containment tank (not a well or stream). With the recent construction work (being done) within the new subdi-

vision along Chipper Way (Phase 8), a new cleaner source of water has become available. By tapping into that water source and reactivating Pump Station #3, we expect our irrigation pressure to improve and the demand/work load on the other three pump stations to be reduced. This initiative is expected to not only extend the operational life of our other pump stations but also provide cleaner water to our customers and stabilize the water pressure in our irrigation system this season. The completion of this project is currently estimated to be the first or second week of April. We also expect our community irrigation system to be turned on during the week of 18 April, subject to weather conditions at the time.

Maintenance Policy/Program
HOA Waterway and Stream

Last fall the board appointed an independent committee (made up of volunteer homeowners) to review the current and proposed maintenance of the HOA Waterway/Stream and Common Areas located along/between Chipper Way and Colchester/Whiff. The committee was Chaired by John Bialke (prior to his appointment on the board). John and the Committee, made up of Michael Garner, David Jones, Donna Burns, Sharon Almeida and Gail Bradbury met over the last three months of 2015 to research and develop recommendations for how best to maintain the Waterway/Stream and adjacent common areas. The committee conducted a thorough review using aquatic maintenance practices developed and endorsed by the City of Eagle and Ada County. An executive summary of the committee's findings and recommendations has been posted to our HOA Website. Using that report, and previous maintenance practices of the HOA, the Board issued a Policy/Resolution covering the future maintenance of the Waterway and common areas. The Resolution, and related documents, can be found on our Website under Homeowner Information. The Board and HOA want to thank the entire committee for the excellent work they did on this challenging project.

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Semi-Annual Garage/Yard Sale
Saturday, 23 April

Our Semi-Annual community garage/yard sale is scheduled for Saturday, April 23rd, from 8:00 AM to 6:00 PM.

Each homeowner is responsible for their own sale. The sale is always well attended and a good way to clean out those garages and closets. Homeowners are reminded not to display items on sidewalks or along (street) curbs. This event will be advertised through the use of banners at our main entrances to Banbury Meadows and an announcement on Craig's List.

If you have any questions or need more information in this regard, please contact Brenda Hines, our Association Manager at DSI, Tel# 208-939-6000 or by email at brenda@dev-services.com.

Most Common CC&R's Violations

In an effort to better maintain the appearance and safety of our community homeowners are requested to pay special attention to the following CC&R's Rules and requirements:

- 4.12: Trash receptacles can only be placed on the street, against the curb (not on sidewalks) between dusk on Sunday and must be put away by dusk on Monday (the previous Mondays only timeframe was extended by the Board of Directors)
- 4.1.2: ARC application required for all exterior maintenance to homes and landscaping. Direct questions to DSI for more details.
- 4.14: As amended; parking of recreational vehicles on driveways permitted for a period of not more than 72 hours.
- 4.7: Homeowners must maintain the exterior of their homes in good repair, including landscaping.
- 4.19: Maintain control of pets when off the owners property (leashed) and clean up after them during walks in the neighborhood.

- 4.20: Keep trees and bushes pruned back off public sidewalks bordering homeowners property and streets, allowing for 8 feet of clearance above the sidewalks.

Community Social / Miscellaneous News

Banbury Ladies Luncheon Group:

The Banbury Ladies Luncheon Group meets the second Wednesday of every month. If you are interested and have not already signed up, please let us know (see below) if you would like to attend.

This gathering is a great way to connect or reconnect with folks in and around Banbury Meadows. We love making new friends and reuniting with old friends.

The group gets together at noon on the second Wednesday of every month at a different restaurant. To obtain an invitation and additional information, please send your email address to: judy.borchelt@gmail.com or call 208-501-6071.

Banbury Ladies Golf Association

The Banbury Ladies Golf Association will be hosting their Kick-Off Meeting on Tuesday, 12 April @ 5:30 PM in the Banbury Golf Club Harbottle Room.

For additional details and information please contact Tammy Seiler; email: banburyladiesgol-fassn@gmail.com.

ATTENTION HOMEOWNERS

For all the latest HOA & Homeowner information, including general news, announcements, documents, CC&R's, plat maps, main irrigation diagrams, etc., log onto our Website at:

<http://www.banburymeadows.org/>