

RIVERHILL HOA NEWSLETTER



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Rainy weather is here and Winter is coming

Winter is coming again and this year; likely with a mean streak. Things to remember about the rainy and potentially slick, snow and ice conditions are many. I'm not as young as I used to be and though a slip and fall could be painful for others in our community it could be terrible. We are all neighbors and several in the community are elderly and could use a helping hand when it comes to making their journey down sidewalks, front steps, and driveways. Offer to lend a hand, spreading some ice melt, clearing snow or just taking their garbage and recycling to the street. This is a terrific opportunity to teach children how to be community-minded by demonstrating how to help others when things are tough.

Speaking of children slow down during the rainy or slick conditions. Kids are fast little things and it only takes a second for them to be in front of your two-ton vehicle on a slick road. It's dark this time of year too. Make sure both your headlights work and turn them on before leaving. There have been times I've seen, almost too late, someone walking down the road in dark clothing without a light or anything reflective. So slow down when driving, especially on hills or curves.

One last thing – be fire-safe. Many of you heat with fire or enjoy the dancing flames recreationally. Get your chimney checked and cleaned annually, be careful when stoking the fire, and keep papers, kindling, and other combustibles away from the fire, wood, or pellet stove. I love natural Christmas Trees but they are highly flammable then get decorated with flammable sparkly things. If your tree is natural put it up as late as possible, take it down shortly after the holidays, and most importantly keep it well watered. Just be safe this winter during the dark times and together we can celebrate spring when it arrives.

Struggling with the county for building?

RE: Mason County Sewer

For the past three years our family project at 111 NE RIVERHILL DRIVE has been stalled several times dealing with Mason County Code requirements particularly in regards to the future of the sewer connection and how it affects development . If any of our neighbors have questions or difficulties as we have, please feel free to contact me. I am happy to help navigate the system as much as possible.

Patricia Gneiding 360 979 0551

Community Water Update

Our water samples have come back as satisfactory, which means we were able to lift our boil water advisory. Several steps were taken to get our water back to normal. Our water system manager Kevin Albert, our system operator Richard Hicks worked continuously to find the source of the contamination. With the help from Ryan at Evergreen Rural Water of Washington we did leak detect for possible line breaks, and ended with treating our water with a shock treatment, and flushing our system multiple times.

Specific location where sample collected: 261 NE Riverhill Dr		Special instructions or comments:	
Sink			
Type of Sample (check only one box)			
1. ☐ Routine Distribution Sample (A/P) Chlorinated: Yes ☐ No ☐ Chlorine Residual: Total Free		2. ☐ Repeat Sample (A/P) (from distribution system after unsat. routine) Unsatisfactory routine lab number: _____	
3. Ground Water Rule Source Sample ☐ S ☐ T ☐ U ☐ Triggered (A/P) ☐ Assessment (A/P)		Unsatisfactory routine collect date: _____ Chlorinated: Yes ☐ No ☐ Chlorine Residual: Total Free	
4. Surface or GWI Raw Source Water Sample (Enumeration) ☐ E. coli ☐ Fecal ☐ Filtered Yes ☐ No ☐			
5. ☒ Sample Collected for Information Only:			
LAB USE ONLY		LAB USE ONLY	
☐ Unsatisfactory Total Coliform Present and ☐ E. coli present ☐ E. coli absent		☒ Satisfactory	
Bacterial Density Results: Total Coliform _____ mpn/100ml. E. coli _____ mpn/100ml. Fecal Coliform _____ cfu/100ml. HPC _____ cfu/1ml.			

Neighbors! One of the benefits to living in our small community is the opportunity to use our park on the river. Recently, the board placed a new backstop on one of the basketball hoops. The board also keeps the park mowed and provides trash removal as well as a portable toilet for summer time use. We have horseshoe pits, a gazebo with fire pit (reservable), a swing set and basketball court for the use of the community. Also included is direct access to the river where you can cool off in the summer or watch spawning salmon swimming up stream.

In the last couple of months, there have been discussions on our community Facebook page regarding unwelcome guests hanging out at all hours. The board has posted additional signs informing the general public that the park is closed to the public and for Riverhill members only. Several board members have made it a point to visit the park more often to try and dissuade individuals from hanging out. In the past, we have had issues with non-members causing damage either accidentally or intentionally which costs the members more money for repairs.

Please be safe anytime you are at the park and there is someone there who should not be. You are welcome to contact the non-emergency (360.426.4441) line to report trespassers. This helps the board out as we cannot be there at all hours. If you do witness damage or see something that should be reported, please report it to "mail@riverhillhoa.com". All board members will receive the email and whoever can respond first will.

Reminder regarding HOA dues

Our dues are collected April 30th and October 31st each year. While a vast majority of members pay their dues on this schedule, it is important to know that if you are experiencing difficulties in making your payments arrangements can be made. Contact our secretary/treasurer to make other payment arrangements. Approved payment plans can be monthly, quarterly

Upcoming Meetings

- *Board meeting Saturday 11/2 10:30am at
Timberland Library**
- *Annual Meeting Saturday 11/2 12-2pm at
Timberland Library**
- *Wednesday December 12/11 6pm at TBD**

2024 Board members

Jim Pearson- President
John Rolland- VP
Jessica Hicks Secretary/treasurer
Kevin Albert Water manager
Zii Engelhardt Webpage manager
Rick VanMeter
Alan Feldman
Patricia Gneiding
Jason Miravalle