

# It's a New Year!

## Cherry Hills POA Newsletter - February 2019

### 2018 POA Dues

Annual Assessments for the POA are due January 1 each year and are considered late after March 1. The 2019 POA Assessment for Cherry Hills is \$72 per property. The Board may assess interest and additional fines if dues are paid after 3/1/19. Please send payment to:

**CHERRY HILLS POA**  
**PO Box 10522**  
**Springfield, MO 65809**

Last year we had 63% of our neighbors pay their dues. Invoices are being mailed to all homeowners with the current amount owed (including any past due amounts). Properties with two or more years of outstanding dues (by March 1, 2019) will have a lien filed upon their property in accordance with Article VII, Section 5 of the POA covenants. It is unfair for only a portion of our homeowners to support the required operation and maintenance cost of the subdivision.

Here are the payment percentages for each street in the neighborhood:

**Steury - 40% paid**  
**Hackberry - 56% paid**  
**Riverbirch - 48% paid**  
**Cherry Hills - 57% paid**  
**Melaleuca - 64% paid**  
**Yellowwood/Luella - 57% paid**  
**Cherry Place - 85% paid**

### Annual POA Meeting

The Annual Meeting of the POA will be held on the third Tuesday of April (4/16/19) at 7:00 PM. The meeting will be held in the Panera Bread Community Room at 500 South National Avenue.

Please contact the Board of Directors (website contact form or email) with any items you would like discussed at the Annual Meeting. Requested agenda items should be submitted a minimum of seven days before the meeting. Reminder signs will be placed at the subdivision's main entrances a week prior to the meeting.

### POA Board Elections

The next Annual Meeting will include elections for the POA Board of Directors (BOD). According to the Bylaws, the BOD must be composed of at least three (3) property owners from the subdivision. The term for a board member is for two (2) years.

If there are no volunteers to serve on the Board, the POA has no other choice but to turn the subdivision over to a property management company. Inevitably, the subdivision POA dues could triple if the board is forced to hire an outside entity. We are hopeful that the board will not have to resort to this.



President - Richard Gebken

317 Melaleuca

Vice President - Zim Schwartz

5107 Hackberry

Secretary - Bill Voorhis

426 River Birch

Treasurer - Daniel Popovich

307 River Birch



For most people, shoveling snow may not lead to any health problems. However, the American Heart Association warns that the risk of a heart attack during snow shoveling may increase for some, stating that the combination of colder temperatures and physical exertion increases the workload on the heart. Please take care this season by: taking frequent breaks, using a smaller shovel or consider a snow thrower, know of the signs of a heart attack, and be aware of the dangers of hypothermia.



## Trash Information and Reminders

While the Cherry Hills Subdivision selects the trash service provider for the neighborhood, each homeowner is responsible for obtaining and paying for this service. The current trash service provider is Ozark Mountain Sanitation. Their contact information is:

Ozark Mountain Sanitation of Fair Grove  
PO Box 305  
Fair Grove, MO 65648  
417-207-0883

Our scheduled trash pickup day is every Wednesday. The following is a list of friendly reminders from Ozark Mountain.

1. Please place the cart on flat surface so that it is level to the road.
2. Do Not place the cart in ditches or next to mailboxes or automobiles (see diagrams on the right).
3. Place cart at the end of your driveway the night before your Scheduled collection day. Collection routes can start as early as 5:00 AM.
4. Please remove bungees from lids on pickup day.
5. Do not place items next to cart. This includes recycling boxes.
6. If you have a recyclable container, please place it on the opposite side of the driveway as their cart or at least 4' away from their cart.
7. If the cart you are provided is insufficient you may order additional carts.



## Neighborhood Garage Sale

The neighborhood-wide garage sale will take place **April 25-27, 2019**. Keep on the lookout for more information. Please remember that you are not limited to these dates for a garage sale, but having multiple homeowners pitch in at the same time seems to help improve the turnout!



## Covenants Education Corner

Frequent issues of covenant violations will be noted here as an education for all property owners. If something applies to you, please read the official covenants. The POA Declarations of Restrictions and the POA Bylaws can be found on our website under POA Documents.

### Article IX, Section 8 - Motor Vehicles & Trailers

Motor homes, trailers, campers, or boats shall not be visibly parked in the subdivision between midnight and 5:00 AM. In addition, no motor vehicle of any kind shall be constructed, reconstructed or repaired within the subdivision unless it is an emergency vehicle repair. Lastly, any motor vehicle which is unsightly or not in keeping with other motor vehicles owned by residents of the subdivision, or is a service vehicle or a pickup with a camper top shall be parked in the garage and shall not be visible to neighboring properties between the hours of midnight and 5:00 AM.



## Improvements & Alterations

If you are planning on doing some exterior home improvements in the coming months, please be aware that the POA's Declarations of Restrictions address a few key points. Article IX, Section 6 lists multiple projects that should receive prior written approval, these include:

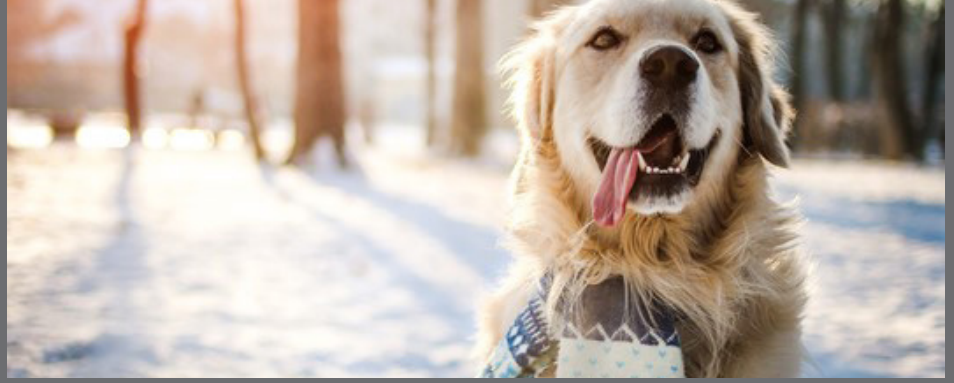
- Commencing, erecting, improving or structurally altering any building, fence, wall, residence or other structure; and,
- Painting (other than painting with the same color paint as previously existed) or changing in any manner the exterior surface of a single family structure.

Have questions, please e-mail the Board. We are more than happy to help and make the process as smooth as possible.

## Update your contact info.

Help keep contact database up to date. If this newsletter and/or dues invoice was incorrectly addressed, please visit the following link to update:

<https://bit.ly/2D64fDG>



## Timely Reminders

1. With the warm weather approaching, this would be a great time to take down your Christmas decorations if you haven't already!
2. Hopefully the Polar Vortex is gone for good. But in the event that we should have another snow storm, remember to keep the area in front of your mailbox clean for the postman. After the snow plow comes through the neighborhood there is a significant amount of snow that piles up in front of the mailboxes making it difficult for the postman to deliver the mail. Remember, if there is not a clear path to the mailbox, the postman does not have to deliver.
3. One of the neighborhood's ongoing problems is picking up after our pets. With the warm weather approaching, please be considerate of children that will be playing in their yards.
4. Please be mindful of parking over the sidewalks. There are people in our subdivision that rely on the sidewalks for walking children to the school bus and for navigating the neighborhood in wheelchairs. We are not discriminating against those that have a sidewalk in your driveway, we are just simply asking for you to be mindful of those around you that need the sidewalks!

**Living in a Covenant-Protected Neighborhood** - When you purchased your home, you were legally required to sign that you had reviewed the covenants and restrictions of the subdivision. We remind you that your active participation in caring for your property in accordance with these covenants allows us ALL to enjoy a beautiful community to reside in. Your efforts not only increase your home's market value but also build a strong and considerate neighborhood.

