

RIVER VIEWS – Fall 2018

What a crazy summer this has been! First so much rain we couldn't mow the grass, followed by a long heat wave with humidity so thick it kept the grass soaked at the end of the day, and then today's nearly 4" of rain in a couple hours - filling our large pond to the overflow point and standing water in many places. What next?

There are many new neighbors in our community so don't be bashful. Make them feel welcome. The Board tries to give all newcomers a welcome packet, but if you have a new neighbor and they have not gotten their welcome packet yet, please let us know. The 1st (that I know of) community-wide garage sale was a success even though the weather was not very cooperative that day. We are already looking ahead to when we can do it again. Home prices are improving even though there have been a few more foreclosures. Things are definitely improving in Riverview Estates.

Here are the projects the HOA board is working on presently:

- 1) Revision of the Pavilion Rules sign. When completed it will be remounted on the street side of the Pavilion (approved at last year's annual meeting).
- 2) Repair of playground equipment, replacement of mulch and possible expansion of the playground area to facilitate adding a swing-set. (Suggestions & comments are requested.) The idea is to allow for use of the playground by more than just toddlers but also have swings that even a toddler could use.
- 3) Kent County Stormwater Project – This on-going project is nearing completion. We realize that some have not signed the petition that has circulated now for more than a year. Our meeting in November 2017 was announced to be the last time anyone could sign the petition but we have tried to contact new residents also. It is difficult to keep up with the new people moving in to the community. Since we have our property tax bills for this year, it will not happen until 2019 at the earliest. Please remember that the Kent County Planning Office may contact you to ask about your vote on this issue. Please answer that call.
- 4) Electrician Issues – Our lights on the new signs at the entryway do not work, and we need some revisions of wiring in the Pavilion to prevent further vandalism.
- 5) Working with our new legal representative to collect seriously delinquent dues.

If you still need to clean the siding and get rid of the green stuff, we have a new resident who is starting a power-washing business. He is anxious to work with people in Riverview Estates. Contact the Board for more information if interested.

Even though signs are not allowed in our community, political signs will be tolerated no more than a week before the election. Please keep them modest in size and within 10 feet of your home. Remove them the day after the election.

Once again we encourage everyone to do their best to be good neighbors. If you want a friendly neighbor, be a friendly neighbor. Thank you for the privilege of serving this community – let's keep it a great place to call home.