Saxony Homeowners Association, Inc.

JANUARY/FEBRUARY 2020 NEWSLETTER

PRIORITY TOPIC OF THE NEW YEAR: TRASH/RECYCLING PICKUP

The December newsletter addressed the problems with our contractor, HaulAway, reported on the contacts made with other providers and stated that the Board would monitor HaulAway's performance before making a decision to change contractors. It is obvious that service has not improved and, if anything, has deteriorated. Saxony manager, Dave Littler, is recontacting providers and requesting an evaluation and bid for service to Saxony.

Some concerns remain: 1. Expense. There is certain to be an increase in cost. With some companies, it is felt that the current budget could absorb the increase. Some would nearly double the current cost.

- 2. There may be a requirement to use only provided containers. Anything extra to be picked up may have to be scheduled and paid for by individual households.
- 3. Saxony homeowners may have to change some habits, like where to place containers so that they can be picked up by the trucks with automated pickup arms.

As this is being written, I have just been informed that Mike Boyles, on Sunday morning radio, lambasted HaulAway and those who use their service. Let's hope we can do better.

A representative of Bloom Floralscapes met with the Board this week and discussed both snow removal and the summer landscape contract. The spring annuals contract was approved. The 2020 maintenance contract was tentatively approved while the possibility of a multi-year contract, with potential cost savings, is under discussion.

Fielding Tree completed the dormant tree trimming, plus several of the large interior trees for clearance, as scheduled on January 24, 2020.

One homeowner is considering an ARC for soffit repair. The Board reminds homeowners that this is the homeowners' responsibility. It would be a good idea to inspect your home for any deterioration.

The Board has also learned that Sherwin Williams no longer mixes the paint colors that have been used on Saxony houses. Paint suppliers can generally mix up a matched color from a sample paint chip..

The next Board meeting is scheduled for Monday, March 23, 2020 at 10:00 am at Dennis Bierschbach's house (9691). If you wish to attend, please check with Saxony manager, Dave Littler, or a Board member, in case there is a change in the schedule.

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