### Brooksedge SW Quarterly Newsletter



#### The Basics & Our Next Meeting

Welcome to our quarterly newsletter! We are thrilled to share with you the latest developments in our community, both old and new.

Firstly, we would like to remind homeowners that we are called BROOKSEDGE SOUTHWEST (SW) and operate independently of the other Brooksedge HOA. When communicating via mail or email, please ensure that you are directing your correspondence to the appropriate board associated with your residence. For postal mail, please use the following address:

#### PO BOX 354 Blacklick, OH 43004

For email correspondence, please reach out to us at:

#### brooksedgeswhomeowners@ yahoo.com

Lastly, you can stay in touch with us via Facebook:

www.facebook.com/brooksed gesw

Our next HOA meeting will be Thursday, September 22 @ 6:30pm at The Little Park on Eddington. If you'd like to volunteer to be on the board, please come (we have other positions other than trustees).

The operation of dirt bikes, gocarts, unlicensed golf carts, and mopeds is explicitly prohibited within our residential community, in accordance with the regulations outlined in Articles M, O, and P of our bylaws and in compliance with legal statutes. Concerns have arisen due to reports of minors operating these vehicles, posing risks to both the young operators and residents within the community. In response to this safety hazard and disturbance, the appropriate authorities will be notified.

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The ditch that runs through our neighborhood and in some of the homeowners' backyards is the homeowners' responsibility to keep clean and free of debris. If you live along the ditch and are curious about who owns the ditch (you or the neighbor behind you, or the HOA) you can always log onto the Licking County Auditor's website. Go to OnTrac property search, find your home either by name or address. On the left margin, click on 'map' (note, this feature is not available on mobile devices), your home should be outlined with the approximate property lines.

As the homeowner of the ditch, please take a look at the ditch and make sure there's no blockages - the water should be running free of blockage and debris.

- Keep it clean of litter.
- Please do not dump any waste or yard waste in it.
- · Should be weed free.

## Brooksedge SW has a New Website https://www

Our website has been updated! Just like our old website, you can find links to download the Architectural Review Form, our Covenants & Amendments, newsletters, and meeting minutes. We added a contact page with information on how to reach us, or you can choose to fill out the contact form. Visit www.brooksedgesw.com to check out the new site!

Are you an amateur photographer? The website needs some new photos of the neighborhood! Feel free to go out and take some photos and email them to us to add to our website!



- Poultry is strictly prohibited from being housed on any lot. Should you have any inquiries regarding this matter, kindly reach out to the board through either mail or email.
- The speed limit is 25 MPH! If you're going over that, you're going too fast, SLOW DOWN!
- If you are <u>adding and/or</u>
   <u>changing</u> your windows, roof,
   driveway, fence, shed, etc...you
   must submit an architectural
   review form. These can be found
   on our website.
- Our lawn care contractor is asking the homeowners with property along Taylor and Kennedy Roads to trim bottom of trees on their property from utility box to tree line for ease in mowing these areas.
- Playground Update: Play set has been installed! Want to be part of the plan for our next phase? Reach out to us!
- Dead Trees: If there is a dead tree on your property, we kindly request its removal as they are deemed visually unappealing. Article 1, section C of our covenants specifies that "No weed, underbrush, or any unsightly growth shall be allowed to grow or persist on the Lots, and unsightly objects shall not be placed or permitted to remain on the premises."



#### **Bulk Trash Items**

Bulk items like mattresses, couches, furniture, and appliances require prior scheduling for collection by Local Waste. Prolonged curbside placement awaiting collection violates our by-laws. Any uncollected items must be brought back until the subsequent week's scheduled pick-up.

For clarification on whether your item necessitates scheduling for pick-up, kindly contact Local Waste.
You can schedule bulk pickup online by going to www.localwasteservices.com Click 'residential' and then click 'service request'.

#### Mail Box Posts

There's quite a few mailboxes in our community that needs replaced. Please use wood post for mailbox. You can purchase a wood post at any home supply store, or contact Cedar Craft Products 614.759.1600 for purchase and installation. Rubbermaid posts are not approved. See by-laws on website.



#### Building a deck, gazebo, adding a fence, getting new windows, painting your house?

These items, and more, need to be approved by the board. Please check the covenants (found on our website). You will need a permit from the City of Pataskala (most likely) which also reminds you to check with HOA requirements. Imagine paying thousands of dollars on a new fence only for the HOA to tell you they don't meet our covenants.

#### Parking

Please **DO NOT** park cars blocking the sidewalks. Also, cars parked on the street, must face the same direction as traffic. This will be enforced by Pataskala Police.

#### Sidewalks

Uneven sidewalks pose a significant tripping hazard, and homeowners bear the liability for any accidents that occur. It is advisable to consult with the Ohio Basement Authority to explore potential corrective measures.



#### Algae on Homes

If you notice a green residue on your siding, that's likely algae. You can easily remove it through power washing, or by purchasing a spray from retailers like Lowes, Home Depot, or Amazon. Or, simply power-washing it off. We encourage homeowners dealing with algae on their properties to take steps to clean it off.



## Change to Our Fine Structure

#### **NOTICE TO HOMEOWNERS**: A

change to how we do fines has been implemented.

The new fine structure that has been adopted allows the Board to fine up to \$500 for repeat offenses or offenses that are not corrected. A copy of the new fine structure was mailed to homeowners.



# THE BROOKSEDGE SW HOA WOULD LIKE ALL HOMEOWNERS TO KNOW THAT SANITARY CONTAINERS NEED TO BE STORED OUT OF SIGHT!

YOU MAY SET YOUR CANS OUT 24 HOURS PRIOR TO PICKUP AND THEY MUST BE PUT AWAY WITHIN 24 HOURS AFTER PICKUP.

PLEASE STORE THEM WHERE THEY CANNOT BE SEEN FROM THE STREET AND BY YOUR NEIGHBORS. THAT MEANS IF YOU STORE THEM BEHIND YOUR HOME, YOUR NEIGHBORS CAN STILL SEE YOUR CANS. IF YOU'RE HIDING TRASH IN YOUR YARD BEHIND A PRIVACY FENCE, YOUR NEIGHBORS CAN STILL SEE THAT PILING UP. PILING UP TRASH IN YOUR YARD IS NOT ONLY STRICTLY AGAINST OUR BYLAWS, BUT IT ALSO BRINGS MICE AND RODENTS. IF YOU HAVE A PRIVACY FENCE FOR YOUR STORAGE CONTAINERS, THEY NEED TO BE STORED SO THAT THEY STILL CANNOT BE SEEN FROM THE DRIVEWAY SIDE. WE ARE CRACKING DOWN ON HOW SANITARY CONTAINERS ARE BEING STORED. TO AVOID FINES, MAKE SURE YOU ARE STORING SANITARY CONTAINERS OUT OF SIGHT.

# Fine Hearings to be Held at Next Board Meeting

None



Thank you to all who came out to our Back-to-school Bash! We didn't have a huge turnout, but it was great to meet neighbors and to enjoy our new play set! Be on the lookout for something fun this Halloween! Want to volunteer to help plan, reach out to us!

Thank you for reading!

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