



ABINGDON VILLAGE HOMES ASSOCIATION

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President's Corner

At our last election, a new, full Board of nine homeowners were elected. We appreciate all of the concerns that were brought up at the Annual Meeting, and we look forward to addressing them in the upcoming year. As we move into 2014, there are a few things we would like to share with you:

- **PUD Fees:** The PUD fees for 2014 will be \$367. This is just a slight increase from last year (less than the CPI).
- **Budget:** Given the concerns at the Annual Meeting over the budget, we significantly revised the 2014 budget. We will take care to provide a more detailed accounting of our Association expenses at the next Annual Meeting.
- **Paths:** The Board has budgeted money to begin work on fixing the paths, and we are working on selecting a contractor to do this work. We hope to begin repairing the paths in the spring or summer. ****Please Note:** the path repairs will be a multi-year project. We will try to focus on fixing the worst areas first, but may not get to the paths near where you live for a year or two.



Leaves, Leaves, Leaves!

It is that time of year again, the leaves are down and it is time to make sure they are taken care of. Many of you have raked your yards and bagged your leaves. Thank you! If you have not cleaned up your leaves, please do so. It is important for ALL homeowners to take responsibility for the clean-up of their yards. ***NO ONE should be dumping leaves over their fence in the common area. Dumping your leaves in the common areas inhibits the work that our lawn care service does and could lead to us having higher fees.***

AVHA Communications

If you would like to receive email communication in the future instead of paper copies, please email Stacie at avhamanager@verizon.net and put your name and address in the subject line. **ALSO**, since our bylaws require notification be mailed; I will also have to have a statement in writing telling me that you wish to receive electronic communications in the future. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me at 757-420-3416. Thank you!

Updating Our Governing Documents

The By-Laws Committee has nearly finished its work updating the By-Laws, Declaration of Covenants, Articles of Incorporation and Rules and Regulations. We hope to send homeowners an updated copy of the documents in the new year. We will then schedule a series of meetings to discuss and vote on these documents. Updating the documents is an important way to ensure that our Association runs efficiently and effectively.



Board Meetings are held on the 2nd Monday of each month at the clubhouse, starting at 7:30pm. These meetings are open for observation to all residents of Abingdon Village.

2014 AVHA Board Members, Officers, & Positions

| | | Board Term Expires: |
|---------------------------------|------------------------|---------------------|
| Tessa Dysart | President | 2016 |
| Joseph McIntyre | Vice President | 2016 |
| Andrew Dysart | Secretary | 2015 |
| Mary Molloy | Treasurer | 2014 |
| JT Fears | Pool Director | 2016 |
| Denee Harris | Hospitality Director | 2015 |
| Art Ray | Maintenance Director | 2015 |
| Joseph Rodriguez | Architectural Director | 2014 |
| Courtney Brown | | 2014 |
| Business Manager: Stacie Dayton | | |



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Please like us on facebook by searching for "Abingdon Village Homes Association" or by scanning the QR-Code on your smartphone.



Nextdoor Please Join Our Neighborhood on Nextdoor.com!

Nextdoor.com is a new social website designed for our specific neighborhood. Please join to see updates from neighbors on upcoming events, items for sale, crime reports, improvement ideas, and even updates from the City. The City regularly posts information about upcoming events and the Virginia Beach Police Department posts important information as well. Nextdoor.com is a great way to stay informed on what's happening in our association and surrounding neighborhoods. Additionally, Nextdoor.com's privacy settings allow you to choose to share items with



either only Abingdon Village neighbors, or with Abingdon Village neighbors and immediate nearby neighborhoods (such as Framingham Village, Glyndon Village, Dorchester Village, College Park, and Level Green).

We currently have twenty-five neighbors from Abingdon Village on Nextdoor.com. Please consider joining to help make Abingdon Village a safer and better community.

You can join by either scanning the QR-Code with your smartphone, or by going to the following website: www.nextdoor.com/join/RYYSDR



Animals

This is still an ongoing problem and we are receiving numerous complaints from homeowners. PLEASE, do not let your dog defecate on your neighbor's lawn! It is your responsibility to clean up after your pet (no matter how small the animal).

Whether you are a pet owner or not, no one wants to have unwanted animal waste in their yard.

Other areas of concern:

DOGS- All dogs MUST be on a leash if not on your property. If you have a dog that continues to get out of your yard, animal control will be called.

CATS - We have also had many complaints regarding cats roaming around the neighborhoods. As pet owners we need to be mindful of our fellow neighbors who may not have pets and be respectful of their right to not have dog and/or cat waste or unwanted animals on their property.

According to Virginia Beach City Code 5-530, NO animal is permitted to run at large within the city. This includes dogs, cats and other animals.

Helping Our Community

Anyone willing to help any of our neighbors in need, please contact Stacie at 757-420-3416.

Some things may include, but are not limited to:

- Checking in on some of the elders in our community
- Providing transportation if needed
- Spending time with someone who may be alone.

Telephone Numbers For Your Convenience

Virginia Beach Citizens Services—311
Non-Emergency Police (4th Precinct)—385-2800
Non-Emergency Fire Department—385-4228
Virginia Natural Gas—1-800-229-3578
Dominion Virginia Power—1-888-667-3000
City Treasurer (water)—385-4631
Waste Removal/Bulk Pick up-385-4650

Verizon—1-800-483-3000
Cox—222-1111
College Park Elementary—648-2280
Brandon Middle School—648-4450
Tallwood High School—648-5700
HRSD —460-2491
City Parks and Recs—385-1100

(New online form to fill out for Bulk pickup, please visit the city of Virginia Beach website for more information.)