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Dear Neighbors,
Summer is finally, really here! Your CSRHOA Board wishes everyone a happy and safe time enjoying (or coping with) the summertime heat, and appreciates all HOA homeowners' work to maintain their beautiful yards and homes in the midst of our challenging summer weather.

In order to maintain the quality of our neighborhood, which is a primary purpose of the HOA, the Board conducts periodic reviews of all the HOA properties for compliance with the HOA rules. Here are some common compliance problems the Board has found in past years. Now would be a great time for you to check your property for any of these issues and correct them before the Board reviews your street.

Garbage and Recycling Containers must be stored out of view of the street. The Board has noticed some homeowners have been leaving their waste containers in their front yards, in view of the street. Please hide your trash cans, as required by HOA rules, to improve the appearance of your property and the neighborhood.

RVs and Boats must be stored out of view of any street in the HOA. If you do not have an area on your property to store your RV or boat that is out of view from the street, you must find another storage location for it outside of the HOA.

Keep Parkways Free of Weed and Ruts. If you have decomposed granite parkways please keep them free of weeds and fill in any eroded areas.

Outbuildings, gates and other exterior structures need to be painted and maintained in good condition. Outbuildings and other structures in your yard are required to be painted the color of your house, unless otherwise approved by the Board. All structures should be maintained in good condition as their appearance affects the overall quality of the neighborhood.

ALL Exterior Building Projects Require HOA Approval.
You must obtain HOA approval before starting any construction or remodeling affecting the outside appearance of your house or yard. See the CC&Rs and Building Regulations for details on the approval process; they are posted on our website at www.csrhoa.org.

Maintaining the quality and well-kept appearance of our neighborhood requires everyone's participation. Your all-volunteer Board of Directors greatly appreciates all the homeowners who comply with the HOA rules and cooperate with the Board in correcting compliance issues.

Dog Walkers: Please Clean Up After Your Dogs!
The Board has received complaints regarding dog owners not cleaning up after their dogs when walking in our neighborhood. We realize this may be due in part to non-residents walking in our neighborhood, but if it is you, as an HOA member, please be considerate of your fellow members and clean up after your dogs, and do not let them run off leash to mess in others' yards. Thanks!

Proposed Sewer Increase – Protest Form Deadline Tues. July 27

The Santa Clarita Valley Sanitation District notified all homeowners in June of a public hearing on July 27 (6:30pm at City Hall) to take public comment on the District's proposed series of sewer charge increases from $199 to $296 per home, over the next 4 years. Half of this increase is for design and planning of treatment facilities to reduce chloride levels in our waste water to meet state requirements. Many residents oppose the proposed sewer rate increases because there are many uncertainties about the chloride standards, the measures that will be adopted to meet the standards, and the ultimate cost of compliance. You can read more about the proposed rate increase and chloride issues at www.lacsd.org.

Enclosed with the District's notice was a form for homeowners to protest the rate increase. If 51% of property owners in the District submit written protests to the rate increase by July 27, it will not go into effect. If you have not submitted a protest and would like to, a copy of the District's form is enclosed that you can use. You should mail it by Sat., July 24 to make sure it is delivered to the District by the July 27 deadline for it to be counted.

Notice Of Board Meetings

The HOA Board meets on the second Tuesday of every month at 6:30 p.m. at the home of one of the Board members (rotates each month). HOA members have the right to attend and speak at Board meetings (except for any portion of a meeting that is an executive session), but members do not have the right to participate in Board discussions or deliberations. Members who attend meetings are usually given the opportunity to speak at the beginning of the meeting. Please contact Susan Carey, Dick Sathre or Tom Hauber (contact information on p.1 of this newsletter) if you wish to attend a meeting to verify the meeting date and time.

Notice of Board Agendas

The general agenda of each Board meeting is below; please contact Susan Carey (contact info on p.1 of this newsletter) as to the specific agenda for any upcoming meeting.

1. Approval of Minutes
Review and vote to approve minutes of previous month's Board meeting(s).

2. Treasurer's Report
Review and vote to approve financial reports for preceding month, and any other current financial issues.

3. Architectural Report
Review and vote to approve plans submitted for HOA Architectural approval.

4. Old Business
Rules compliance issues, and other HOA issues, that have been previously discussed by the Board are updated and discussed; the Board votes on any action to be taken.

5. New Business
New rules compliance issues, and other HOA issues, are reviewed and discussed; the Board votes on any action to be taken.

6. Next Meeting/Adjournment
The next meeting date, time and location are agreed. Adjournment follows.