

Sellhorn Heights Homeowners Association

Spring – 2022 Newsletter

Web Site, Facebook Page

Information about Sellhorn Heights is available on our <u>updated</u> website <u>www.sellhornheightshoa.com</u>. The sites give information on the restrictive covenants, contact information, newsletters, and a submittal process to send requests to the Board of Directors. Our Facebook page is active at Sellhorn Heights Community but has not been updated with any post recently. Please check it out and let us know of any improvements you would like to see. We are creating an email distribution list that we can use to send important information out to residents. Please send an email to sellhornhoa@gmail.com so we can add you to the distribution list. <u>We</u> will not be sharing these emails addresses with anyone.

Annual HOA Meeting

We are planning to have the annual HOA meeting in the October 2022 time frame. More information to follow on the time and place the meeting will be held as we get closer that date.

HOA Board of Directors

The HOA is looking for volunteers to join the HOA board. There are currently members who have stepped down (2 vacancies) from various positions. If you're interested, please send your name and address to sellhornhoa@gmail.com. As an active board member, you're exempt from paying annual HOA fees. This is also an opportunity to learn what's going on in the community, and to have a positive influence on the neighborhood. The current board of directors is comprised of the following members:

President: Nick Nichols (252) 259-0165 Vice-President: Dennis Vary (252) 876-1191

Treasurer: Andrea Bezgela

Secretary: Vacant

Member: Nikki Woolard

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Pets

As you know, <u>it is the law</u> to pick up after your pets. Not doing so could result in a \$25 fine from the City of New Bern. Your neighbors will also appreciate your picking up after your pet. If you have issues with dogs barking or animals roaming free, call the New Bern Police non-emergency number (252) 633-2020. We have had complaints regarding pets running loose in the development and dogs barking incessantly. Please remember it is a New Bern City Ordinance that requires pets to be on the owner's property or on a leash. <u>Please refer to</u>: www.newbern-nc.org > departments > police_department > animal_control

Trash/Recycling/Streets

The Sellhorn Heights Covenants Section L, item 11 states that all trash receptacles should be out of view. In consideration of the community please do not throw trash in street or the common areas. Please help to keep the community clean. As a reminder, the City of New Bern picks up large items along with trees and limbs on Mondays, regular trash pickup on Tuesdays and monthly recycling (green containers) on the monthly pickup schedule. You can get the calendar for the recycling at Solid Waste & Recycling | Craven County (cravencountync.gov)

The Roundabout at Sellhorn Blvd and Inge Court

Please keep to the right when going around the Roundabout. It is for the safety of all and is a traffic violation if you do not comply. The HOA will be asking the New Bern Police to check on this periodically to ensure compliance.

Speed Limit

We would like to remind everyone that the speed limit within the development is 25 MPH. Please follow this for the safety of the children playing in the area as well as walkers, joggers, and bike riders. Many drivers are seen rushing thru the neighborhood well about the posted speed limit and this is a safety issue.

Covenants review

Recently members of the HOA Board rode around the development to check possible violations to the covenants. Letters were sent out to homeowners with possible violations. If you received a letter, please correct the violation noted in the letter to avoid any penalties. Some of the observations made recently by the board include:

- Keep homes clean/power washed and lawns cut and edged this includes the area over the curb if you have one.
- Bring your trash can and recycle bin in after pickup. Also, trash containers and recycle bin should not be visible from the street.
- <u>No trailers/tractor trailers/boats/RV's/etc.</u> are allowed to be stored on the street or on driveways overnight.
- <u>Don't leave barking dogs outside for extended periods of time.</u> The City of New Bern has an ordinance that covers this and is finable.
- <u>No structures</u> should be kept in the common areas, sidewalks, or street without HOA Approval. *This includes things like basketball hoops, skateboard/bike*

ramps, etc. These items must be moved out the street, sidewalk when not in use infractions are enforced by fining the Homeowner.

This is something we do to ensure we have a safe and good-looking community. Please help us by abiding by all the covenants and it you have any questions please contact a board member.

Wildlife

Please be careful when in the wetland areas within the development. Water moccasins, copper heads and snapping turtles have been sighted in these areas sunning themselves.

Community Yard Sale

If you're interested in hosting a community yard sale, please let us know via email. We are thinking of organizing a yard sale and need your input and feedback.

Neighborhood Cookout

If you're interested in organizing a neighborhood cookout and party, please e-mail the board and share your thoughts. This is a great event and a chance for everyone to get acquainted which your neighbors.

Locking Your Vehicles Overnight

The Craven County Sheriff's department is recommending that you lock your vehicles at night. This is a result of an uptick in vehicle break-ins around the county.

On-Street Parking

Street parking should be kept to a minimum as it creates a driving safety hazard and crowding of the street passageways. Please use your entire driveway spaces when available.

If you have any suggestions on this newsletter, please send your comments to sellhornhoa@gmail.com

