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MEETING SCHEDULE

COMMITTEE MEETINGS WILL
BE HELD
VIRTUALLY UNTIL FURTHER
NOTICE

BOARD OF DIRECTORS
(BOD)
1ST AND 4TH WEDNESDAYS,
7:00 PM

DESIGN REVIEW COMMITTEE
(DRC)
4TH MONDAY, 6:30 PM

FACILITIES COMMITTEE
(FAC)
2ND THURSDAY, 7:00 PM

GROUNDS COMMITTEE
(GRNDS)
3RD WEDNESDAY, 7:00 PM

HORSEPEN RUN AD HOC
COMMITTEE (HPRN)
2ND WEDNESDAY, 7:00 PM

NEIGHBORHOOD ADVISORY
COUNCIL (NAC)
2ND TUESDAY, 6:00 PM

COMMUNITY RELATIONS
COMMITTEE (CRC)
1ST THURSDAY 7:00 PM

FINANCE COMMITTEE (FIN)
3RD TUESDAY, 7:00 PM

Reminders and News

**CountrySide Proprietary Office
will be closed Monday, May 29th,
in observance of Memorial Day.
PMP staff will return to the office
Tuesday, May 30th.**

LOOKING FOR MINUTES?

Visit the CountrySide website
to view the latest Meeting

Minutes at

<https://countryside-va.org/>



COMING SOON TO COUNTRYSIDE! DIGITAL AMENITIES PASSES!

This year, residents won't be getting stickers for your amenities passes in the mail. Instead, we'll be introducing a digital app for amenities passes (and so much more). The MOKO App will require each property owner to register and establish an account for each member of your household (details to be provided soon in an email blast). Once the account is established, checking in at the pools or at events like Fall Fest will simply require giving your name to the lifeguard or check-in staff on duty. The check-in staff will pull up your account on a tablet, and will be able to verify that your account is in good standing by just checking whether there's a green border around your picture. It's that easy—no need for you to show a pass, or even have a smart phone or digital device yourself at check-in. You will be required to complete the registration process in advance, and to upload pictures for each member of your household who will need a "digital pass". PMP staff will be available to assist with the registration process and account set-up. Please be on the lookout for more details to be available soon! And happy swimming!

MAY 2023

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
	1	2	3 BoD Meeting @ 7pm	4 CRC Meeting @ 7pm	5	6 YARD SALE
7	8	9 NAC Meeting @ 6:30pm	10 HPR Meeting @ 7pm	11 FAC Meeting @ 7pm	12	13
14 Happy Mother's Day	15	16 FIN Meeting @ 7pm	17 GRNDS Meeting @ 7pm	18	19	20 CS Office 9-12 Shred Event
21	22 DRC Meeting @ 6:30pm	23 CS Office • OPEN • until 7pm	24 BoD Meeting @ 7pm	25 Town Hall MEETING	26	27 CS Office • OPEN • 9am- 12pm
28	29 MEMORIAL DAY Office Closed	30 CS Office • OPEN • until 7pm	31			



Annual Inspections

At the request of your Board of Directors, members of the CountrySide Proprietary staff will be conducting the Annual Inspection of all CountrySide neighborhoods. The inspection is performed with the intent of ensuring that the curb side appeal of the community is preserved. The physical property inspections will commence during the month of April and we will be noting any repairs that need to be completed on the home and the general appearance of the property. Some of the things found in need of exterior maintenance are listed but not limited to:

Wood rot on building exteriors
Fencing or sheds in need of repair
Damaged or missing roof shingles
Landscaping in need of attention
Building exterior in need of painting

Algae on building exteriors
Windows in need of repair or replacement
Unapproved architectural modifications
Driveways in need of repair and resurfacing
Decks in need of repair

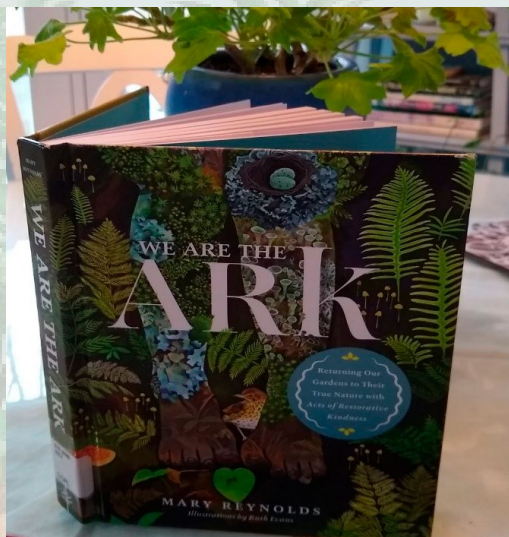
Why Do We Have Annual Inspections?

The quality of design and architectural harmony in CountrySide is maintained through a review process for all exterior alterations to the property. The Covenants and Restrictions establish specific authority for maintaining the quality of design in CountrySide, which are a part of every deed to the property. So, before you undertake any exterior project, please ensure you submit an architectural application and obtain approval first. For assistance with application requirements, you can review the Community Guidelines online at www.countryside-va.org or call the Proprietary office at 703-430-0715.

RESIST THE URGE TO PLANT ANNUALS NOW!

Yes, I know all the stores and nurseries are brimming over with colorful, luscious choices to fill your garden and planters, BUT, beware that a frost might be lurking ahead. In our area, planting Region 6, the frost date most often aligns with Mother's Day, give or take a week. Past history has proven this to be an accurate estimation of when to begin planting. (Exceptions are tomatoes and most common veggie seeds that need the soil to be even warmer to germinate well.) I've concluded that garden centers are more than happy to sell their plants to us early, and then again after they are stunted or killed by a frosty night (keeps the economy rolling, I suppose). Of course, covering them may help, but I've found that plant growth is still slowed, even shocked by the impact of a cold temperature. So, instead, perhaps I can entice (and inspire) you to read an excellent book, the review of which is provided below.

Book Review: We Are the ARK by Mary Reynolds



Reading is a favorite way of mine to spend time, particularly when it involves learning something new about gardening. Having read several of Doug Tallamy's books, his review comment on *We Are the Ark*....."Mary has seen the future of conservation. You may be surprised to learn that it is you!" sealed my interest, although yet another book shaming me for loving all the non-native plants in my garden set me a bit at defense! Regardless, when my local library sent out a brief on this new offering, I reserved and checked it out. It's premise immediately captured me, as did the whimsical illustrations that accompanied the text.

Reynolds, a self-described "reformed landscape designer" argues for a radical shift in how and why we garden. However, she writes in a way that is imagining how we might try to devote at least part of our outdoor space back into the hands of nature. While acknowledging that gardening is a creative act, and that creativity is vital to most gardeners, she advocates that one can be creative without harming other creatures. Reynolds refers to such a space as "an ARK for the earth"; the genre of garden that is a kindness to the earth featuring native plants that provide for native animals, insects and birds.

Not only are basics in ecology presented in an easily understandable way, but the practical "how" of making and sustaining an ARK provides steps for both small and drastic change which, undoubtedly will appeal to readers at varying points in their gardening journey. Reynolds includes plant choices, placement, layering, and offers suggestions for sharing what is learned with neighbors, other gardeners, and 'influencers' who can expand this vision into the mainstream.

One of her introductory excerpts included how her vision for the "ARK" came into being:

"It wasn't the startled fox that grabbed my attention from the drawing board where I was daydreaming out the window at home. It was the pair of hares that were chasing the fox across the garden. Soon, I spotted a hedgehog scurrying along the hares' path but well tucked under the protection of the thick hawthorn hedge that edged the lawn in front of me. They disappeared into the wildness that was one half of the land I was minding, taking refuge in an acre of self-willed land—a mix of thorny shrubs, brambles, grasses, and rushes to the west of my garden. Seeing as it was early winter and a bright mid-morning, I figured something must be amiss for the normally hidden, feral creatures to cross my path in such a manner, so I got up from my work and went outside to investigate. I followed the direction they were coming from and wandered up the end of my lane onto the quiet country road where I live in Ireland. Not so quiet today, however. Today a big yellow monster of destruction had landed. My neighbors had finally gotten planning permission to build a house, so they did what everyone does: they sent in a digger to clear out "the mess" and make a garden without any thought for the multiple families who already called it home. I stood in absolute horror, forgetting to breathe. I had done this myself many times in many places over twenty years as a garden designer, carrying out similar unconscious devastation everywhere I worked. It was suddenly blindingly obvious to me that these creatures we are supposed to share our earth with have fewer and fewer safe places left to go. Their habitats and foraging places are being torn out at a rapid rate. There is no sanctuary for them in our gardens which we fill with purchased, pretty, non-native garden plants. Gardens are controlled and poisoned to the point of being a still life with no room at the inn for anything other than our own visions of how we want things to be. I went back inside and started researching the collapse of the natural world, learning very quickly that the biodiversity crisis is even more insidious and dangerous than the looming threat of climate collapse because it is not understood nor given attention. The web of life is being pushed to the edge, and we are unquestionably and indivisibly tethered to that web. Multiple species are now falling prey to extinction every single day. They are never coming back. This is the great forgetting. Knowing I couldn't take on the whole world, I tried not to get overwhelmed and instead put the kettle on and sat down at my kitchen table to think about what one person could do that would really make a difference to our current trajectory."

Thus the idea for a grassroots movement called "We Are the ARK" (for Acts of Restorative Kindness to the earth) was born. Reynolds' writing style is readable, convincing and challenging, all in a good way. The big question for us gardeners is.....who will embrace it? The alternative appears bleak. Maybe CountrySide residents could start the ball rolling????

Submitted by Pamela McGraw Loudoun County Master Gardener

CountrySide Events

CountrySide 2023 Event Schedule

Event	Date	Time	Location
Spring Fling	April 1st	1pm-3pm	Parkway
Spring Clean-Up	April 22nd	9am-Noon	CountrySide
Spring Yard Sale	May 6th	8am	CountrySide
Spring Shred/Paint Recycle	May 20th	9am-Noon	Parkway Parking Lot
Concert #1	June 10th	6pm-8pm	Parkway
Family Fun Night #1	June 24th	5pm-8pm	Parkway
Concert #2	July 8th	6pm-8pm	Parkway
Family Fun Night #2	July 22nd	5pm-8pm	Parkway
Fall Shred/Paint Recycle	September 16th	9am-Noon	Parkway Parking Lot
Fall Yard Sale	September 23rd	8am	CountrySide
Fall Fest	October 7th	Noon- 4pm	Parkway
Boo Fest	October 21st	1pm-3pm	Parkway Meeting Room
Winter Celebration	December 2nd	1pm-3pm	Parkway Meeting Room

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Area Students Make a Big Difference on Local Ecosystem

Nearly 80 Potomac Falls High School students worked tirelessly most of Saturday, May 6th, creating two Pollinator Gardens. The gardens, totaling 1650 square feet are in the Horsepen (HPR) Nature Preserve, part of the Countryside neighborhood of Eastern Loudoun County. The students from Potomac Falls High School are from Ms. Susan Gerbasi, Mr. Daniels, Ms. Melanie Reed's, 10th grade biology classes, as well as students from the National Science Honor Society. Additional assistance was provided by Girl Scout Troop 2434 and 70321, and several adult volunteers, including a dedicated long-term planning team composed of Countryside neighbors.

The project was the brainchild of Alys Cheatle Jarvela, Ph.D., a research scientist studying insect/host plant specificity, or the ability of insects to overcome the defenses of particular plants in order to eat them. This work inspired the project in Horsepen Run as Jarvela saw an opportunity to provide the native plant species required by caterpillars to grow into pollinating butterflies.

Jarvela was awarded two grants to purchase the necessary wildflowers along with other necessary materials. The first came from AWS In Communities Northern Virginia Sustainability Fund and distributed through changeX, an online platform connecting communities to proven ideas and funding to ensure the project's success. Earth Sangha Wild Plant Nursery, which specializes in plants indigenous to Northern Virginia, also supported the project with a community lands plant grant to supply discounted restoration-grade plants.

"These two gardens will attract thousands of pollinator animals such as insects, including bees and butterflies, and birds. Pollinators are important to the entire ecosystem, especially food plants as they transfer pollen from the male structure of a flower to the female structure of a different flower of the same species, thereby ensuring fertilization and the production of fruit and vegetables." Dr. Jarvela went on to say, "Pollinator gardens are one of the most flexible, cost-effective, and timeless educational tools available. These gardens provide clear, real-life examples of the interdependent nature of our food ecosystem, and the valuable services that pollinators – yes, even insects – provide to human society."

"My biggest challenge was finding enough volunteers to actually do the back-breaking work needed to get the job done," Dr. Jarvela said. "I discussed the possibility of this project at a HPR Committee meeting late last year, and through the other members, I was put in contact with Ms. Gerbasi. It was through her efforts that we got the students involved."

When asked about the student volunteers, Ms. Gerbasi said, "I am extremely proud of the work our students completed today. They were enthusiastic, hardworking, and cheerful throughout the day and generated over 480 manhours of hard work. Together, they removed 150 square feet of sod, planted wildflowers, prepared an additional 1500 sq. ft. for future wildflower seed planting, and the removed 60 bags of invasive mustard garlic, equaling almost 1,000 pounds of the destructive plants."

In addition to Dr. Jarvela and Ms. Gerbasi, HPR Committee members were also on hand to provide logistic support in the form of equipment and tools. "This was a very well-organized project", said David Barrie, HPR Committee Chairman. "Alys and Susan did a bang-up job of putting this thing together. The students worked very hard, and the Countryside community will benefit from their efforts for years to come; we're most grateful."

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Photos of the event available upon request.

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Market Update

CountrySide Recent Sales

Address	Beds	Baths	SqFt	Price
32 Bickel Ct	3	3	1,610	\$450,000
33 Lyndhurst Ct	3	2/1	1,850	\$475,000
2 Worthington Ct	3	2/1	1,658	\$615,000
14 Fenton Wood Dr	3	2/1	1,992	\$630,000
16 Wiltshire Ct E	3	3/1	3,308	\$780,000
4 Thorton Ct	4	3/1	3,585	\$899,000

Sales Data from BRIGHT MLS

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The Proprietary, its members, and the Board of Directors do not recommend or endorse any person on this list. If you or your child would like to register to be on the services list, please email reception at reception.cside@pmpbiz.com to get a copy of the registration form.



2023 HOA Dues

Single Family/Manor Homes \$90.00

Town Homes \$112.00

Villas \$69.00

Pay to the order of:
CountrySide Proprietary

WHY DO TOWNHOUSES PAY A HIGHER ASSESSMENT?

Residents who are new to the HOA community, or unfamiliar with the operating budget of CountrySide, might ask why the townhouse monthly assessments are higher than the single family home assessment. The answer is fairly simple: It's a question of who pays for what. As an example: CountrySide single family homes are on VDOT streets—streets that are maintained by, and are plowed in winter by VDOT. That maintenance and plowing is all funded by the taxes paid by single family homeowners, and those taxes can easily run double what townhouse taxes are. By contrast, when a townhouse street needs to be repaired, repaved, or even totally rebuilt, those expenses have to be paid by the homeowners who benefit from the improvements. There are other townhouse-only expenses, but road maintenance is the biggest single difference.

The CountrySide Board of Directors accounts for townhouse-only expenses separately, so that assessments fairly reflect the share of expenses incurred by both categories. Separate Reserve funds are maintained for townhouse-only expenses, and those delineations are shown on the summarized budget presented to the residents after each budget cycle. If you have further questions on this subject, please feel free to contact the Proprietary Office or the Board of Directors.

**SELLING YOUR HOME? YOU WILL
NEED TO ORDER A PROPERTY
OWNERS' ASSOCIATION DISCLOSURE
PACKET NOTICE, OR POA.**



HOW TO ORDER A POA PACKAGE

- Go to <https://pmprent.condocerts.com/resale> to order.
- Register, place your order, and your documents will be processed.

WESTWICK COURT VILLAS

- Go to <https://pmprent.condocerts.com/resale> and select the package for "The Villas."

When the Proprietary receives an order for a POA packet it initiates a physical inspection of the entire property.

- The inspection of exterior maintenance items includes peeling paint, algae on siding, broken window seals, wood rot, fences in need of repair, etc.
- Exterior modifications/enhancements are noted and checked for previous approval.
- If you haven't done so already, please ensure that you have submitted an application for those exterior modifications .



Virginia Property Owner's Act (Contract Disclosure Statement; Right of Cancellation).

"A. Subject to the provisions of Article 2 of 55-509, a person selling a lot shall disclose in the contract that (i) the lot is located within a development which is subject to the Virginia Property Owner's Association Act; (ii) the Act requires the seller to obtain from the property owners' association an association disclosure packet and provide it to the purchaser....."

**Questions? Call Alicia McKenna-Graves at
CountrySide Proprietary for more information.**



**THE BEST TIPS FOR YOU
PARKING IN
COUNTRYSIDE**

Townhouse Parking

Each townhouse property has two assigned parking spaces. Residents should use their assigned spaces for parking.



Visitor Spots...

...are for visitors! A vehicle parked in the same space or visitor spots in the **same neighborhood three (3) times in a thirty (30) day period** is considered a **repeat or chronic offender**.

Towing



If you see a bright orange sticker on your vehicle, do not ignore it! Your final warning before towing will be clearly marked.



Commercial Vehicles

This applies to **any** vehicle designed or maintained for business/profit purposes and to vehicles with a rate capacity 1.5 tons or more. Vehicles may not bear commercial signs, advertising, or visible commercial equipment.



Other Prohibited Vehicles

Inoperable vehicles, abandoned vehicles, boats, trailers, recreational vehicles



Be Courteous!

We recognize that townhouse parking is tight. Be courteous and considerate to your neighbors by not monopolizing the visitor parking. We don't like to call Al's Towing & Storage, but we will!

THANK YOU

Use Your Assigned Spot

Homeowners are able to call Al's Towing & Storage themselves if they find their assigned parking space occupied by a non-authorized vehicle.



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TRASH & RECYCLING COLLECTION

Trash must be in a receptacle with a lid.
Trash/Recycling must be placed curbside before 7:00 am. Do NOT place trash on common areas.

For large items or bulk pickups, please email your request to hoa.nova@republicservices.com



FOXFIELD, OATLANDS, AND MORVEN
TRASH DAYS ARE MONDAYS & THURSDAYS

ROKEBY, WELBOURNE, BELMONT, AND OAKRIDGE

TRASH DAYS ARE TUESDAYS & FRIDAYS



FOXFIELD, OATLANDS, AND MORVEN
YARD WASTE ON MONDAYS
RECYCLING ON THURSDAYS

ROKEBY, WELBOURNE, BELMONT, AND OAKRIDGE
YARD WASTE ON TUESDAYS
RECYCLING ON FRIDAYS



DON'T FORGET



Yard waste must be in a paper bag or container & clearly marked "YARD WASTE"

NO PLASTIC BAGS

Yard waste in plastic bags will not be collected
Wood waste: Cut into 4-foot lengths & bundle

Per Republic Services: "If the contractor misses a stop, the contractor will go back and make that pick up that same day when reported to the contractor by 3:00 p.m. If after 3:00 p.m., then the pick up will occur the very next Contractor's business day." **Please report missed collections to**

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Trash & Yard Waste Reminders

USE A COVERED TRASH CAN

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Article VI, Section 6. Prohibited Uses and Nuisances. (e):

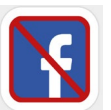
"Trash and garbage containers shall not be permitted to remain in public view except on days of trash collection. No incinerator shall be kept or maintained upon any lot. Garbage, trash and other refuse shall be placed in covered containers."

What this means is you **MUST** use a covered trash receptacle. Trash placed out in bags is in direct violation of the Governing Documents. Also, the use of bags attracts unwanted wildlife leading to an unsightly and unsanitary mess.

YARD WASTE HANDLING

- Brush and limbs must be cut to 4 ft. lengths and bundled with twine in arm-full size bundles.
- Tree stumps and tree limbs (that are larger than 6" in diameter and longer than 4 ft.) will NOT be collected.
- Grass clippings and leaves should be put in PAPER bags (**no plastic bags**) OR in a container marked "Yard Waste"

CountrySide Proprietary does not have an official Facebook page



Several unofficial Facebook pages are maintained by CountrySide residents. These pages are **not affiliated** with or monitored by CountrySide Proprietary. We remind residents that any official announcements concerning the community are posted on the website, sent to residents via email, or announced in The Courier. This includes any changes to services, such as recycling collections, scheduling, events, and anything else which directly affects the CountrySide Community.

**When in doubt, call or email the office!
We're here to help!**

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED! **YOU CAN MAKE A DIFFERENCE!**

As a volunteer, you will vote on important neighborhood issues. We need your input, energy and feedback.

Board of Directors: The primary responsibility of the Board of Directors (BOD) is to review and vote on neighborhood issues such as common area projects, contracts and renewals, delinquent accounts, unresolved violations and appealed applications.

Current Vacancy: None

Community Relations Committee: The primary responsibility of the Community Relations Committee (CRC) is to advise and assist the BOD in managing the flow of information across the CountrySide community. The CRC is also responsible for planning and hosting community programs, activities, and events for the benefit and enjoyment of CountrySide residents, and communicating information through the website, the CountrySide Courier newsletter, and mass electronic correspondence (e.g., e-mail blasts).

Current Vacancies: Belmont, Oatlands, and Rokeby

Design Review Committee: The primary responsibility of the Design Review Committee (DRC) is to advise and assist the BOD in monitoring, reviewing and enforcing compliance with the architectural control standards established for the community.

Current Vacancies: Oatlands

Facilities Committee: The primary responsibility of the Facilities Committee (FAC) is to advise and assist the BOD in developing and administering an ongoing program to preserve and enhance the swimming pools, pool bath houses, Par course, basketball and tennis courts, tot lots, and maintenance compound. Particular focus is in regard to the maintenance of and improvements to these areas, and to advise and assist the BOD in developing rules and regulations for the use and enjoyment of these areas by all CountrySide residents.

Current Vacancies: Foxfield, Oatlands, Morven

Finance Committee: The primary responsibility of the Finance Committee (FIN) is to advise and assist the BOD in financial management and oversight of the annual operating budget for the Proprietary.

Current Vacancies: Belmont, Foxfield

Grounds Committee: The primary responsibility of the Grounds Committee (GRNDS) is to advise and assist the BOD in developing and administering an ongoing program to preserve and enhance landscaping, turf, parking areas, streets and paths - particularly the maintenance and improvements to these areas. Grounds also advises and assists the BOD in developing rules and regulations for the use and enjoyment of these areas by all CountrySide residents, and is responsible for the administration of the landscaping and trash contracts.

Current Vacancies: None

Horsepen Run Committee: The primary responsibility of the Horsepen Run Committee is to generate recommendations for Board consideration for Horsepen Run and to develop a land management and maintenance plan for Horsepen Run.

Current Vacancy: Foxfield

Neighborhood Advisory Council: The primary responsibility of the Neighborhood Advisory Council (NAC) is to advise and assist the BOD on matters pertaining to its particular neighborhood, Proprietary affairs through standing committees and is directly involved with the architectural review and budget process.

Current Vacancies: Belmont (3 seats), Foxfield (3 seats), Morven (3 seats), Oakridge (1 seat), Oatlands (2 seats), Rokeby (2 seats), Welbourne (4 seats)

All Committee and Board meetings are open for attendance by CountrySide residents. See the Meeting Schedule at the front of this Courier.

Contact the Proprietary office for more information and **Become a CountrySide volunteer!**

WHO TO CALL AT THE PROPRIETARY OFFICE FOR INFORMATION (703) 430-0715

Catherine Neelley
Community Manager

catherineen.cside@pmpbiz.com

Contracts, budget issues, assessments & dues, and personnel issues.

Tim Pope
Design Review Corrdinator
timjp.cside@pmpbiz.com

To report any house in a state of visual disrepair or obtain an Architectural Application for exterior improvements. Trash/recycling on private property.

Jim White
Grounds & Facilities Manager
jimmw.cside@pmpbiz.com

Common area concerns, playground maintenance, operational problems associated with the pools, and snow removal in the townhouse sections of CountrySide.

Carlos Ramirez
Grounds & Facilities Staff

Community Relations Coordinator
Community Events, parking issues on townhouse streets, the Courier, website

Alicia McKenna-Graves
Administrative Assistant
aliciam.cside@pmpbiz.com

General inquiries, Virginia Resale Disclosure Packets, account inquiries & statements, missed trash/recycle.

Shawanda Howell
Administrative Assistant
shawandah.cside@pmpbiz.com

General inquiries, account inquiries & statements, missed trash/recycle.

Bryan Neal
Grounds & Facilities Staff

Some Useful Links

Loudoun County Home Page <https://www.loudoun.gov/>

Loudoun County Public Schools <https://www.lcps.org/>

Algonkian District Supervisor

Juli Briskman <https://www.loudoun.gov/2232/Algonkian-Supervisor-Juli-E-Briskman>

VDOT https://www.virginiadot.org/default_flash.asp

Republic Services

<https://www.republicservices.com/residents>

Dominion Energy

Report Power Outages or Emergency

<https://www.dominionenergy.com/virginia/report-outage-or-emergency>

Monthly Assessment Payment Options

DIRECT DEBIT (ACH): There are several benefits to signing up for Direct Debit payments, including the following:

- Avoid Late Fees! Payments are processed on or about the **10th of each month** and are therefore always received on time.
- One less check to write each month and one less stamp to use or trip to the Proprietary office.
- The assessment amount is always right, even if rates change from year to year

It's easy to use this service. Complete the Authorization Agreement for Direct Payments form and send it to us with a voided check.

This form can be picked up in the office or found [HERE](#).

NOTE: We will only take the regular assessment. Other fees assessed to the account must be paid separately.

BY MAIL:

Mail a check or use your bank's online bill pay option.

Send the payment to our payment processing center at CountrySide Proprietary, c/o PMP, PO Box 62678, Phoenix AZ 85082. Please list your CountrySide account number in the memo portion of the check

Checks sent in the mail must be received by the 10th of the month to avoid late fees.

IN THE OFFICE: Come to the office located at 2 Pidgeon Hill Drive, Suite 560, Sterling. We do not accept credit cards. The office is open from 8am to 5pm, Monday through Friday.

ONLINE: Make an online payment via e-check or credit card by logging onto our bank's website at

<https://propertypay.cit.com/>. The following information is required to make a payment online:

Management Company: Property Management People

Management Company ID: 7047

Association Name: CountrySide Proprietary

Association ID: 000065

Account #: located on your coupon

Click on "Pay Assessment" (bottom right). Payments made by credit card are assessed a convenience fee.

Late Fee Forgiveness Program

The CountrySide Proprietary Board of Directors is offering a late fee forgiveness program for up to a maximum of six assessment interest charges/late fees.

Eligibility criteria:

- No applicant who applied and was accepted for 2019 and/or 2020 may apply for 2022.
- Applicants must bring their assessment account current and sign up for the Direct Debit/ACH Program.
- At least one payment must be received under the Direct Debit/ACH Program before the interest charge/ late fee amnesty occurs.
- Applicants must remain on Direct Debit/ACH for at least nine months after signing up
- Failure to remain current and make payments within nine months will result in interest charges/late fees being re-applied to the account.

If you are interested in signing up for this program and meet all the conditions as stated above, please contact Catherine Neelley at the Proprietary Office 703-430-0715 or via email at catherineen.cside@pmpbiz.com

Payment Plans

CountrySide Proprietary offers its homeowners the option of a written installment payment arrangement for the purposes of satisfying a delinquent account balance. This option is known as a Payment Plan. There are essentially two types of Payment Plans available:

Standard Payment Plan – Enables homeowners to pay off their outstanding balance over a period of ten months. The monthly payment amount is calculated by taking 10% of the balance due and adding it to the regular monthly assessment amount. This plan also requires that the homeowner signs up for Direct Debit/ACH so that the monthly amount due can be taken directly from a bank account.

Non-Standard Payment Plan – Enables homeowners to suggest an alternate monthly payment amount and to make those payments via cash or check. This type of plan is offered for a period of nine months, at which time it will be reviewed to determine whether or not the plan can continue and/or needs to be altered.

Both types of Payment Plans are subject to Board approval. If you currently have an outstanding balance and would like to apply, please contact Catherine Neelley, Community Manager, at (703) 430-0715 or by emailing catherineen.cside@pmpbiz.com.