

Harwood Farms

NEWSLETTER

December 2022

NEWS & UPDATES

Skating Rink

Installation of the skating rink has begun in the common area next to the playground. Thank you to Andrew Muir and team for installing the frame and to all who contributed to purchasing the rink. Upon a consistent stretch of cold weather, Pittsfield Township Fire Department will fill it with water. The rink will be open for use as soon as the ice is fully formed. Planning for future events involving the rink are under way.

Please be courteous to nearby neighbors and follow the common area rules:

- Hours 9 am to 9 pm
- Residents and guests of residents only
- Keep the area clean
- No glass
- Do not wander or cut through neighboring private property (sidewalks and bushes delineate the common area boundaries)

Annual HOA Board Meeting

The Harwood Farms annual meeting was held on November 2 at the Pittsfield Township building. 20 Harwood Farms residents representing 16 units were in attendance. 15 proxies were also presented to exceed the quorum requirement of 29 for an official meeting.

Chris Dallas, Amanda Melvin, and Sarah Lang were elected to the HOA board for two-year terms. Bill Hammond and Brenda Bucholz each have a year remaining of their term. A summary of income and expenses YTD for 2022 and a proposed budget for 2023 were presented. The final 2022 financial summary and 2023 proposed budget will be available on our website after the end of the year. Minutes for the annual meeting will be posted soon.

Landscaping

4 Seasons from the Ground Up lawn care company will receive the HOA landscaping contract for 2023. They were selected after soliciting bids from multiple companies and extensive evaluation of the four bids received. Unfortunately, the cost has increased from previous years. Thank you to Brenda Bucholz for all of her hard work on this!

2023 Annual Dues

The 2023 annual dues are increasing to \$365 per unit due to increased operating costs. Invoices will be mailed in early December. Payment must be received on or before January 31, 2023 to avoid a late fee of \$50. Dues can be paid by mailed check to Harwood Farms HOA (758 Hatfield Circle, Saline, MI 48176), placed in the drop box attached to the mailboxes, or paid with credit card online at HarwoodFarms.net.

Holiday Season Decorations

We enjoy seeing all of the neighborhood outdoor seasonal decorations - they really brighten our community!



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FRIENDLY REMINDERS

Snow Removal

Homeowners are responsible for clearing the snow off entire sidewalk adjacent to their property within 24 hours of a snowfall greater than one inch. Homeowners with corner lots are also required to clear crosswalks after the road plows come through, which is a township ordinance and is enforced. The HOA has contracted with Steve Bell for snow removal on sidewalks along common areas and in front of the mailboxes. Steve also contracts separately with several homes in the neighborhood, and can be contacted at (734)216-3913 if you are interested in doing the same.

Speed Limit

Out of respect and for the safety of our community, please keep your speed below 25mph while driving through the subdivision.

Street Lights

The street lights throughout the community are maintained by Pittsfield Township/DTE. If you notice a light is out near your home, please contact Pittsfield Township at (734)822-3134. Each pole has a unique identification number (in yellow) - you will need to provide that number for the light to be repaired.

Trash Cans

According to the bylaws, "trash receptacles shall be maintained in garages and shall not be permitted to remain elsewhere on the unit or common elements.



COMMUNICATIONS

Board Meetings

Upcoming meeting dates and locations can be found on our website. An announcement sign will also be placed by the mailboxes.

Website

harwoodfarms.net
Check out our website for information on HOA activities, announcements, meetings, meeting minutes, and important HOA documents.

Facebook

[Harwood Farms Saline HOA](#): Official HOA page where board posts HOA information.
[Harwood Farms Community Saline](#): Community page for general communication.

HOA Board Members

[President](#): Chris Dallas
[Vice President](#): Brenda Bucholz
[Secretary](#): Amanda Melvin
[Treasurer](#): Bill Hammond
[Member at Large](#): Sarah Lang