

Countryside HOA Newsletter

July 2025



HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION

What you'll find in this newsletter

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- Staying Connected (*Facebook Group*)
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UPCOMING REMINDERS

AUG 1st Yearly HOA Fee Due

Where to send the payment is listed on page 3.

Oct 14th Quarterly HOA Meeting

Quarterly meetings are held on the second Tuesday in January, April, July, and October @ 7:00pm via Zoom.

>>> HOA CONTACTS

HOA BOARD MEMBERS

PRESIDENT / OFFICER

Doug Traub: 605-391-7641

VICE PRESIDENT / OFFICER

Dave Simpson: 605-390-6117

SECRETARY / OFFICER

Sheila Hoyer: 760-902-9473

TREASURER / OFFICER

Frank Stehly: 605-431-6464
frankolste@aol.com

COMMUNICATIONS / NEWSLETTER **+ FACEBOOK ADMIN**

Paige Wilson: 605-789-9522
paigeleaf30@gmail.com



HOA MAILING ADDRESS

Countryside Homeowners Association
5110 Waxwing Lane
Rapid City, SD, 57702

GROUNDS & MAINTENANCE

Tom VanVlack: 605-484-0797

ARCHITECTURAL CMTE

Ed O'Leary: 605-431-1061

RECORDS CMTE

Pete Jensen

BOARD MEMBERS

Chad Tipton
Tony Fischer
Corey VanVlack
Tim Crawford
Laurie Traub
Carol Birch



>>> ROLL CALL

HOA PRESIDENT 2026

Doug will run for another year as board president. [If you want to become the 2026 HOA President or have questions, contact Doug Traub.](#)

>>> ROLL CALL

WELCOME COMMITTEE

We are seeking more volunteers to help welcome new residents into the neighborhood. This will help cover your local area, ensuring new residents know what our neighborhood offers and giving them a warm welcome to our beautiful community. Contact Paige Wilson if you are interested or have questions.

**Looking for people to help welcome new residents on Waxwing Ln, Crossbill Cir, Kingbird Ct, Raven Cir, Raven Ct, and help with Tanager/Tanager Ct.*

Current Welcome Committee

Pinon Jay Cir - Mary Dowse / Meadowlark Dr - Laurie Traub + Jane O'Leary / Tanager Dr - Paige Wilson

>>> ROLL CALL

BOARD MEMBERS

Want to get more involved in the neighborhood? Feel free to contact any of the board members to learn about our positions.



LET THE BOARD KNOW IF YOU HAVE NEW & EXCITING IDEAS FOR THE HOA COMMUNITY

REMINDERS + UPDATES

>>> URGENT TOPIC

HOA FEES DUE AUG 1ST

HOA fees were due August 1st. A **\$20 fee will be assessed for late payments received after 8/1/2025.** If you have not received a notice, please get in touch with the HOA Treasurer, Frank Stehly, at 605-431-6464 or email frankolste@aol.com.



MAIL HOA FEES TO

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>>> UPDATE YARD WASTE !!!

Homeowners are reminded that city code prohibits the deposition of grass clippings, leaves, and vegetation on the street, in your neighbor's yard, or places like the community park.

>>> REMINDER NEED A TREE REMOVED?

Residents can contact Lieutenant Eric O'Connor for an on-site evaluation and a list of contractors for tree removal or prescribed burns. Homeowners will be reimbursed for 60% of the cost. More details & contact info on page 5 under "Fire Mitigation Grants."

>>> UPDATE PARK

Doug Traub has replaced one sprinkler head, and the broken riding frog has been fixed. Reminder the toys are available for everyone to use. If an adult notices a broken toy, please remove it. Additionally, sandbox toys can be donated. Thank you to those who have contributed new toys for our neighborhood kids!

>>> COMING SUMMER / FALL FREE LITTLE LIBRARY



Marissa Paulding posted a great idea on our HOA Facebook page to build a "Free Little Library" where neighbors can exchange books. Expected to come soon!

NEIGHBOR SHOUT OUTS

TOM VAN VLACK / PETE JENSEN / ALL WHO HELPED AT PARK CLEANUP

BIG THANK YOU to everyone who could help with our annual park cleanup. The HOA saved \$8,000 by not having a contractor do the job. Most of the effort and savings were thanks to Tom Van Vlack, who rented and operated the equipment, and to Pete Jensen (Kahler Reality) for sponsoring the food for the picnic.

**Few photos below at the park cleanup.*



TO NOMINATE A NEIGHBOR FOR THE NEXT NEWSLETTER SPOTLIGHT, CONTACT A BOARD MEMBER

>>> NEIGHBORHOOD REMINDERS

HELPFUL TIPS FOR NEW RESIDENTS & REMINDERS FOR THE SEASONED ONES



LAWN LIGHT POLES: Our individual lawn light poles are intended to provide safety and security for all our residents in place of large city street lights. Please make sure your lawn light pole is in working condition and stays brightly lit.



PARK / COMMON AREAS: Residents can enjoy the park and walking paths throughout the community. Please be kind and pick up after yourself & your pets.



HOA FEE: The Countryside HOA fee is \$140 billed annually in July and due by July 31st.



HOA QUARTERLY MEETINGS: Quarterly Zoom meetings are held on the 2nd Tuesday in January, April, July, and October. Reach out to a board member if you want the Zoom link (sent via email).



TRASH DAY ON MONDAYS: The city provides trash & recycle bins. They should face the street and be placed at least 4 feet apart. The 4ft distance provides ample room for “the claw” and prevents close trash cans from being knocked over.



YARD WASTE: city code prohibits the deposition of grass clippings, leaves, and vegetation on the street, in your neighbor's yard, or in places like the community park



WATER: Countryside was annexed into the city in 2016. The city bills trash and water together, and water charges are based on usage. Contact the city for any concerns with water, trash, or recycling. ***Keep your bill to use as a free pass to the city dump!***



STREET PARKING: Per our covenants, on-street parking is restricted to emergencies, deliveries, and guests. No overnight parking on streets is permitted.



WILDLIFE: Fun to watch, but feeding the deer and turkeys is strictly prohibited.



MAILBOXES: You can have your mailbox re-keyed at the USPS if needed.



ANNUAL EVENTS: Each spring, there is a community garage sale and an annual clean-up — watch your mailbox, newsletter, and Facebook for dates.

SLOW DOWN | 25 MPH



Our neighborhood speed limit is 25 MPH, but please slow down near the park and when you see our neighbors walking on the sides of the street.

PET PICKUP

This is a friendly reminder to pick up after your fur babies.

POTHoles



Watch out for potholes while walking. If you'd like to report one to the city, call 605-394-4152 or email pothole@rcgov.org. *More reports could help get it fixed.

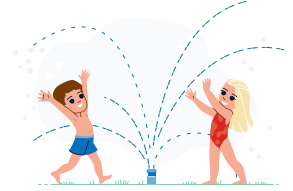


>>> CITY REMINDERS

HELPFUL TIPS FOR NEW RESIDENTS CONT. & REMINDERS FOR THE SEASONED ONES

WATERING RESTRICTIONS

- No watering will be allowed from 9am - 6pm, daily.
- Odd-numbered addresses will be allowed to water on odd-numbered calendar days.
- Even-numbered addresses will be allowed to water on even-numbered calendar days.
- No outside watering is allowed on the 31st day of any month.
- Manual watering with a handheld hose, bucket/sprinkling can, or similar containers is allowed.
- Water conservation measures are utilized from June 1-August 31 each year under normal status conditions.
- Status conditions include normal, concern, alert, and critical stages, which are determined by the water levels and inflows to Pactola Reservoir.
- For more information, contact the Rapid City Water Office at 605-394-4162.



HAVE WATER ISSUES? >>> City hotline 605-394-4125

If you find yourself in a situation where you don't have water, please let the city know ASAP. The neighborhood may have a water main break, and the city may have to shut the water off to fix the issue, which may affect many residents. After calling it in, would you be so kind as to post it on our neighborhood FB page to let other neighbors know? You may have insider information that could help your neighbors! Who knows? You may find that another friendly neighbor has already posted about it.

FIRE MITIGATION GRANTS



Do you have old trees on your property that need to be trimmed or removed? There is a grant for that! Go to our HOA website at rccountrysideoha.com. Click on the third tab, "Fire Mitigation," download the PDFs to your computer, complete them, and send them to Lieutenant Eric O'Conner. **Please do not send grant applications to the HOA.**

Email: Eric.OConnor@rcgov.org
Phone: 605-390-4114

Note: you can read more about how to burn wood under the website's "Fire Mitigation" tab. Download the PDF titled "Wood Burning, Air Quality Control Division."

CARCASS PICKUP



UPDATE with new contact number. To report a wildlife issue, such as a lost baby or dead animal, call Game Fish & Parks at 605-394-2391.

>>> STAY CONNECTED

HOA FACEBOOK & WEBSITE DETAILS

HOW TO JOIN OUR FACEBOOK GROUP

Join our private RC Countryside HOA Facebook page! It's a great way to stay connected in our neighborhood, hear about upcoming events, and, most importantly, post questions or concerns (like losing an animal). Examples posts:

- Rogue pets
- Rattlesnake spotting
- Water issues
- HOA reminders

STEPS TO JOIN

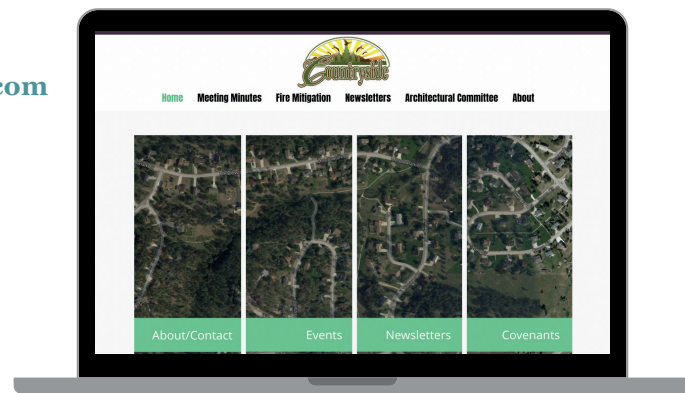
- Visit Facebook and search for the private group
 - www.facebook.com/groups/rccountrysidehoa
- To be vetted into the group, you must answer the qualifying questions to verify Countryside (North) residency. **Your request will be denied if you do not answer the qualifying questions.**
 - If you have problems joining the group or know someone who does, please call/text Paige Wilson at 605-789-9522, and we can resolve the issue quickly.
 - Note: Paige typically approves within 48 hours. If it's urgent, reach out ASAP.



CHECK OUT OUR HOA WEBSITE

You can find the website using the link rccountrysidehoa.com
What you can find on the website:

- Meeting minutes
- Fire mitigation grant details
- Previous and recent newsletters (*pdf version*)
- Architectural committee
- Events
- Covenants
 - **Reminder: please respect the covenants**



>>> HOA FEEDBACK

IMPROVE OUR NEIGHBORHOOD & COMMUNICATION

We love where we live and are always open to new ideas on improving our neighborhood and the lives of all our residents. If you have ideas, your board members would love to hear them.

1. Come to one of our quarterly HOA meetings
2. Share your concerns with the board in a respectful manner
3. Provide the board with possible solutions or seek the board's advice

Supporting Local Businesses + Your Neighbors



THE KAHLER Team
REAL ESTATE

2401 West Main Street
Rapid City, SD 57702

Each office is independently owned and operated

Shauna Sheets
Broker Associate
(605) 545-5430

KW BLACK HILLS
KELLER WILLIAMS REALTY

Peter Jensen
Broker Associate
(605) 484-6713

BLACK HILLS
Pediatric DENTISTRY

605-341-3068
700 Sheridan Lake Rd
Rapid City, SD 57702
bhpediatricdentistry.com



Your neighborhood pediatric dentist, Andrew Wilson.



CONTACT US

If you are a Countryside Resident, you
can advertise your business here too!
Starting at \$40/year.

Please contact Paige Wilson
at rcountrysidehoa@gmail.com or
call/text her at 605-789-9522.

BIG THANK YOU TO OUR LOCAL SPONSORS!



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