COUNTRYSIDE HOMEOWNER'S ASSOCIATION

5110 Waxwing Lane Rapid City SD 57702

July—September 2022



NEXT HOA MEETING

Date: Oct 11th , 2022 Time: 7:00 PM Location: ZOOM link will be posted on our fb page

BOARD MEMBERS

PRESIDENT Doug Traub: 605-391-7641

VICE PRESIDENT ELECT Dave Simpson: 605-390-6117

TREASURER

Sara VanVlack: 605-484-5066

SECRETARY

Sheila Hoyer: 760-902-9473

COMMON AREA CMTE Mark Meissner: 605-430-1065

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Pete Jensen

ARCHTECTUAL CMTE
CHAIR: Ed O'Leary: 605-341-1061

Dan Smith Kathy Dirk Justin Thiry Dave Bertsch

PLAYGROUND CMTE

CHAIR: Tom VanVlack: 605-484-0797

Justin Thiry Erin Simonton Nikki Gast Laurie Traub Chad Enger

BOARD MEMBERS

Chad Tipton
Cory VanVlack
Dan Smith
Dave Bertsch
Jason Brandsted
Tim Crawford
Wendi Albers

Playground Committee

Plans Continue

If you haven't noticed-The old landscape timbers have been removed and replaced with clean landscape curbing in our park! We thank the playground committee for their time & commitment to this project that will add value to our neighborhood and its families. The playground committee has spent many hours over the last few months coming up with ways to improve the parks appearance. Some of their ideas have been approved by the HOA board so keep an eye out for continued improvements. And if you see anyone in the committee out and about be sure to thank them! *Psst....They are listed in the column on the left!*

HOA Dues

Were due on Aug 1st.

If you still need to pay them, please contact our Resident Volunteer Treasurer Sara VanVlack at 605-484-5066



Rapid City Landfill

Don't forget to save your utility bills to use as free dump passes!

HOURS OF OPERATION

Landfill Hours

Monday - Saturday 7:00am - 4:00pm

Administrative Hours

Monday - Friday 7:30am - 4:00pm

CONTACT INFORMATION

Address 5555 S Hwy 79 Rapid City, SD 57701

Email rcrecycles@rcgov.org

WANT TO RECEIVE TEXTING ALERTS?

Text RCSolidwaste to 888-777

This will subscribe to all alerts and reminders that we send out! Including reminders about holiday weeks



REDUCE





REUSE RECYCLE

Watering Restrictions

The Board would like to remind Countryside residents that Rapid City's annual mandatory water conservation measures were in effect June 1—Aug 31st.

No watering was allowed between 9 a.m. and 6 p.m. daily. Odd-numbered addresses were allowed to water on odd-numbered calendar days. Even-numbered addresses were allowed to water on even-numbered calendar days. No outside watering was allowed on the 31st day of any month.

Manual watering with a handheld hose or with a bucket, and sprinkling can or other similar container was allowed.

Planting new seed or sod next year? You may contact the city for a <u>waiver</u> to establish new growth. Water conservation measures are utilized **June 1-August 31** each year under normal status conditions. Status conditions include **normal**, **concern**, **alert** and **critical** stages and are determined by the water levels and inflows to Pactola Reservoir. For more information, contact the Rapid City Water Office at 394-4162.

Carcass pick up

Arrange pick up with Chris Mueller at the SDGFP 605-381-2960. Let him know the address and accurate location of the carcass. He must have the home owners permission if the carcass is on private property.

Walkway safety

We want to keep our walkways safe for all residents and give everyone the opportunity and freedom to enjoy them! Motorized vehicles—including golf carts—are not allowed on Countryside walkways. Let's keep the walkways safe for all or residents by informing our guests and reminding our children of this particular rule!

Reminder Kindly pick up after your pets.

It is hard for our residents to enjoy their walks along our neighborhood trails when walkways are lined with poo that hasn't been picked up. **Keeping our fur friends <u>leashed</u> in the neighborhood is one way to combat this problem.** We all understand that *sometimes* our fur babies *may* sneak out once in a while. But if you noticed that your pet has gone on a solo adventure, please grab a poo bag and retrace their known whereabouts, because chances are - they have left something behind for our neighbors to step in - which makes people cranky- and who want's cranky neighbors?

Did You Know? The City has a Code Enforcement Officer?

The HOA board has received a few anonymous complaints on issues that our covenants do not cover. If you feel that the quite enjoyment of your property is being hindered, you may want to reach out to the City's Code Enforcement Officer for insight or assistance. **Matt Owczarek 605-355-3465** or visit **1@rcgov.org** for more information.

Home Exterior Fall Cleaning Checklist

Enjoy the beautiful fall weather Clean gutters & downspouts Check smoke detectors Clean out window wells Remove debris from your gutters Clean your chimney Winterize your sprinkler system & drain garden hoses Clean up your landscaping Edge and cleanout mulch beds Trim bushes and trees Clean and Inspect AC Unit & Hot tub Clean/Replace light fixtures make certain that lawn light poles have are brightly lit and in working order Inspect and repair your bird feeders, dog houses, sheds and anything else that was subject to the harsh winter weather Sweep and wash Driveway Change Your Furnace Filter Clean and inspect Decks, patios and fences inspect wood for signs of rot or decay and make repairs necessary. Wash and scrub away any stains. Apply the fertilizer about three weeks before the last mowing of the season. Fertilizing in the fall provides energy and nutrients for the grass roots as they multiply in cooler weather before the grass goes dormant. The roots store food for the winter as well, which gives the grass an initial growth spurt when it emerges from dormancy in the spring. Keep lawn watered Fall watering helps your lawn recover from summer stress and gain strength for the winter ahead. If you fertilize in the fall, watering is necessary for the fertilizer to dissolve and soak into the ground where it's needed. So don't put your hoses or sprinklers away until the ground starts to freeze — your fall grass still needs the water. Aerate your lawn Aerating' simply means making holes in the ground by removing plugs of soil. And it's the single most important task you can perform to maintain a healthy, good-looking lawn. It relieves compaction caused by foot traffic and creates extra pore space in the soil, allowing air, nutrients and water to enter. All of that helps roots to thrive. Aerate your lawn at least once a year, preferably in the fall. Or do it twice or even three times each year if you can. You can rent a lawn aerator at any home and garden equipment rental store.

Clean Garbage Cans have a disgusting mess at the bottom of the cans? Make sure you get all trash out of the cans then pour some dish soap into each can, lie it on its side and use a pressure washer or broom to wash them out. After they are clean, use some house-

hold disinfectant to get them smelling great.

Do you have ideas for improving our neighborhood?

We love where we live and are always open to new ideas on how we can improve our neighborhood and the lives of all of 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 concern with the board in a respectful manner.
- 3. Provide board with possible solutions or seek the boards advice.

We live in a desirable area and want to keep it that way!





Knowledge is power

1. Join our group, be in the loop www.facebook.com/groups/rccountrysidehoa



We have a private group for our <u>current residents</u>. Neighbors have been posting things like:

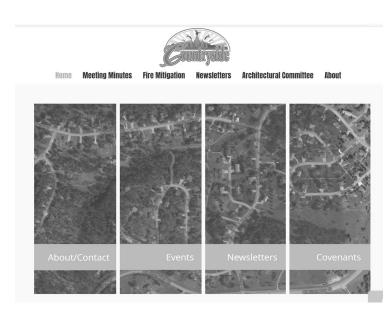
- Rogue pets
- Backyard Fires
- Speeding
- Motorized Vehicles on walking paths



Visit Facebook and search for the private group

www.facebook.com/groups/rccountrysidehoa You must answer the qualifying questions to verify Countryside (North) residency in order to be vetted into the group.

2. Check web and know instead www.rccountrysidehoa.com





Lieutenant Eric O'Conner is the point of <u>contact for</u> the fire mitigation program. He can answer any questions you may have. Find the application on our Countryside website then send application to **Lieutenant Eric O'Conner's** office.

Email: Eric.OConnor@rcgov.org

phone: 605-390-4114

Please do not send applications to the HOA

Have water issues?



Call the city hotline **605-394-4125**

There is nothing more annoying than waking up to find there is no water to take a shower before heading to work! If you find yourself in a situation where you don't have water: Please let the city know ASAP so they can take care of it!

There *may* be a water main break in the neighborhood 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.

Helpful Tips For New Residents....and reminders for the seasoned ones

- LAWN LIGHT POLES Our individual lawn light poles are intended to provide safety and security for all of 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 are welcome to 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 August 1
- HOA QUARTERLY MEETINGS: Quarterly meetings are held the 2nd Tuesday in January, April, July and October. The annual board membership meeting is the 2nd Tuesday of September.
- **TRASH DAY**: 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.
- **WATER**: Countryside was annexed into the city in 2016. Trash and water are billed together by the city, 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. Please follow this rule for the safety
- **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: Community Garage Sale and Annual Clean Up each Spring watch mailbox, newsletter & website for dates.

Thank you's

- Countryside thanks homeowner Jacob Uhden for the use of his water for the grass area at the Countryside sign off Sheridan Lake Road.
- Jon and Wendi Albers want to send a HUGE THANK YOU to our neighbors Otto Bachman and Kristy Winter. While Jon and Wendi were out of town a fire started in their back yard. Kristi and Otto reacted so swiftly that it was out even before fire crews arrived!! Their quick response kept our home safe and we can't thank them enough! Thanks to them, the only thing that burned was a small patch of grass! The Fire Chief believes the fire was caused by a squirrel chewing through electrical wires.

Shop Local with your neighbors

If you are a
Countryside Resident
You can advertise your
business here too!
For just \$40 each year

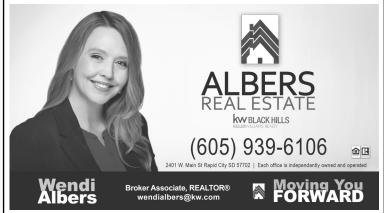
Email your advertisement to:
rccountrysidehoa@gmail.com
OR
wendialbers@kw.com.

Mail your \$40.00 check to: **Countryside HOA**,
5110 Waxwing Lane, Rapid City SD 57702



For resident advertising questions, please call: Wendi Albers at 605.939.6106





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Upcoming Events

Next HOA Quarterly ZOOM MEETING
All residents welcome
Oct 11th 2022

7 pm

Check our private fb group page for the latest updates. Zoom link will be posted there.