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# **Meeting Dates**

The meetings of the Board of Directors in 2021 will be held at the Desert Hills Social Center.

Friday, March 19<sup>th</sup> at 3:00 PM Friday, April 16<sup>th</sup> at 3:00 PM

The regular meetings for October 15, 2021 and November 19, 2021 have not been secured by GVR. As soon as they are provided, they will be published on our website, <a href="https://www.deserthills4.com">www.deserthills4.com</a>.

The Board welcomes your input. Please attend.

# **Email**

To offset the continuing rising costs of postage and printing, the Board of Directors voted to send out correspondence and invoices to homeowners via email. Based on information from prior Caretaker Forms and email addresses listed on escrow documents, there were 193 homeowners with email addresses. An email was sent in early summer 2020 advising those homeowners with email addresses they would be receiving invoices and other documents via All incorrect emails that were returned as undeliverable were corrected. In November another email was sent to all homeowners with emails on file and none were returned as undeliverable. Invoices and newsletters were emailed to those 193 homeowners on December 1st.

I didn't realize just how many current Caretaker Forms were missing.

There were 45 homeowners who were sent invoices via email and had not paid by January 8, 2021. I attempted to contact those homeowners to determine if the invoice had been received – not to ask for payment.

A partial list of what was done and results include:

65 phone calls made

9 incorrect or disconnected phone #s

20 emails were resent and 9 letters were sent via U. S. Postal Service with an invoice and newsletter. All letters requested the homeowner to complete a

Caretaker Form. None were received.

9 people did not have email or did not check it, had new email addresses and letters returned with incorrect addresses.

3 homeowners had no Caretaker Forms. Homes were purchased in 2015, 2017 and 2018

The ownership of one home was transferred to a relative with no updated Caretaker Form.

And this was only on 45 homeowners out of 224.

It is apparent that some homeowners do realize the importance of having an updated Caretaker Form on file. It should also be noted that in the eight years I have been writing the Newsletter, in six of those years an article has been written of the importance of having updated Caretaker Forms. So again, please submit an entirely completed Caretaker Form.

# **Good Neighbors**

Just a reminder for those of us who have furry family members. There is a leash law in Pima County and, therefore, in Article XIII, Section 6 of our CC&Rs. While we love our pets, not everyone feels the same and may even have allergies. Please keep your furry friends on a leash when outside of your property.

We should also be aware that all homeowners have a right to quiet enjoyment of their home and property. Again Article XIII, Section 8 of our CC&Rs provides that no homeowner shall engage in unusual, loud or obtrusive behavior which prohibits the quiet enjoyment of another's home and property.

# SAV

Pima County Sherriff's Auxiliary Volunteers have created a Scam Squad website. Here is the link to the

website with archives on scams <a href="https://scamsquadsav.org/">https://scamsquadsav.org/</a> This is a great resource if you have any questions

on phone calls you may have received that you question.



Another service SAV provides is Home Security Checks while you are away. For more information go to <a href="http://www.gvsav.org/">http://www.gvsav.org/</a>. There is a form on the website for you to complete to take advantage of this service.

# **GVC**

The Green Valley Council (GVC) through its member homeowner associations represents over two thirds of



all Green Valley residents and is as close to a

local government as exists in this unincorporated retirement community. Frequent communication with County, State and Federal government officials has proved effective in getting things done.

Due to the Coronavirus, GVC has not had any meetings of the HOA's representatives this year. GVC has been assisting in the coordination of distributing the Corona Virus vaccine.

# Website

Looking for forms? There are fillable forms available on our website. Also Committee Members, Board of Directors, etc. It's all there and more on our website: <a href="https://www.deserthills4.com">www.deserthills4.com</a>. You can also email us from the "Contact Us" page.

For additional community information, look under "Links" on the our website.

## **Desert Hills 4 Streets**

As you know, the Streets Committee has been researching the best cost effective method of re-doing our streets. We have been conducting this research for the past three years and came up with a cost effective solution with a four year warranty and life expectancy of eleven years or more. And it fits in our budget. During our Annual Meeting, Larry Bivins our Streets Committee Chairperson, gave a Power Point presentation on the four different road solutions we researched. That presentation is on our website under Meetings/Socials.

At the February regular meeting of the Board of Directors, it was approved that Desert Hills 4 enter into a contract with Tucson Asphalt for their Green Asphalt product. This will be completed in two phases. Phase One this year by May 31<sup>st</sup> and Phase Two in 2022.

## Newsletter

This newsletter is intended to give you, our homeowners, informative articles. I never hear from anyone if the information I am providing is of interest or valuable. Or is there other information you would like to have? Please send an email to our email address: <a href="mailto:deserthills4@yahoo.com">deserthills4@yahoo.com</a> or mail via US Postal service to 2980 S. Camino Del Sol, #108, Green Valley, AZ 85622 with your suggestions for future articles. Thank you.

# **Waste Management**

Our HOA is currently in year 3 of our five year contract with Waste Management for trash & recycling services. On 6/1/21 we move into year 4 and the monthly rate increases to \$15.30 per month (billed quarterly).

- If you sign up for Paperless Billing and Auto Pay, the \$5.00 Admin Fee on your invoice can be waived. Register at <a href="https://www.wm.com">www.wm.com</a>
- Trash is picked up twice a week Mondays and Thursdays. Recycling is picked up once a week – Thursdays. Cans should be out on the curb by 7:00 am.
- Approved recycling items include: magazines, office paper, brown paper bags, newspapers, paperboard, cardboard, paper cardboard (such as dairy and juice containers), junk mail, phone books, glass bottles and jars, #1-7 plastic bottles and containers, aluminum cans and tin or steel cans. See the links page on the website www.deserthills4.com for more information on recycling.
- DO NOT PUT IN RECYCLE BINS: food waste, yard waste, shredded paper, films, plastic bags, plastic wrap or foam cups and containers.

Waste Management is to provide 35/64/96 gallon cans to customers who want them for recycling and trash. At this time, you may continue to use your own containers for both trash and recycling.

Homeowners should contact WM Customer Service for starting or stopping service or vacation holds at 520-744-2600. There should be no charges for vacation starts/stops; however, there is a minimum of 30 days and no more than 9 months.

If anyone has problems with Waste Management Customer Service please contact Phyllis Buchanan either by phone at 313-801-7723 or email at deserthills4@yahoo.com. Our homeowner's association has a contact person who can help out with problems.

To all our winter homeowners and visitors, have a safe trip home. And to our full-time residents safe travels wherever you may go. To all of you, have a wonderful summer.



















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