Deer Issue

Monday October 6, 2025, the Boards of Quail Valley Manor, Quail Valley Maintenance Association, Quailwood, and Undercliffe Terrace met with representatives from the WV Department of Natural Resources (DNR) and the WV State Police about methods to control/cull the deer population in our neighborhoods. The idea is if all the adjoining HOAs work together, any method will be more effective.

WV law and regulations allow an “Urban Archery Deer Hunt” within boundaries of towns, cities, and homeowner associations. The HOA must submit an application to DNR before March 1, 2026, to be eligible to enroll in the program for the Fall 2026 archery season.

The application must clearly and specifically define: who can hunt; where hunting is permitted; and when the hunt will occur. This means each individual property owner must expressly give permission for the hunt to occur on his or her property. If a homeowner does not give permission, there will be no hunting on his or her property. The hunt will occur ONLY on the property of those who give permission.

Practically, in Quail Valley, there are areas where any hunt would not be feasible. On the other hand, there are a few areas where backyards adjoin wooded areas and a group of those homeowners may want to authorize hunting in those wooded areas.

Any hunt allowed would also have to clearly spell out the day and time of the hunt.

If any homeowners are interested in exploring this matter further, please email the Board at thequailvalleyestates@gmail.com. If there is sufficient interest, we can hold a special meeting to answer questions and develop a plan.