

Wednesday Weekly

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General News and Updates

The Traffic Light is Active!!!

Sincere Appreciation to Bob Inskeep

The HOA Board wishes to thank Bob, a longtime Hamptons resident, for taking the initiative to engage with city planners, the town and HOA boards, and leaders of businesses in the Hamptons Office Park that resulted in the successful approval, budget, and installation of a much-needed traffic signal at the intersection of Northdowns Lane and Statesville Road.



Bob's efforts are the perfect example of how concerned citizens can work with interested parties including private businesses and government officials to drive necessary changes in their community and neighborhood. He spent countless hours researching the state and local procedures for acquisition of traffic signals and the target plans and implications for the widening of Statesville Road. Based on getting that subject matter expertise, he then championed the addition of the new traffic signal through written communication and attendance at numerous meetings with the Huntersville town administration. Bob built relationships with the appropriate decision makers, and his tenacity and determination paid off to all of our benefits. We are now able to enter and depart our neighborhood much more safely than in many years. Thank you!

Action Needed

All residents are requested to review the information below to decide which action best fits the need of their household (only 1 vote per household will be accepted).

Please EITHER cast your vote now online by clicking <u>HERE</u>, -OR- print and return a copy of the proxy form (click <u>HERE</u>), -OR- attend the Annual Meeting on January 30th at 7:00pm at Dovers.

To reach quorum, we need to have at least 25% of our community represented, which is 90 households. This representation can be a mixture of online voting, in-person attendees, and proxies received by the deadline of January 27, 2023. We hope to see as many of you as possible at the meeting, but if you are unable to attend we encourage you to utilize the other options for response. As mentioned in the detailed letter below, there are multiple ways to return the proxy form, including the convenience of drop-off here in the Hamptons.

We will let everyone know how many responses we've received as the month continues - the count will be included in each WW. Thank you for your prompt attention!

ballots received: 78 proxies received: 15

Annual Meeting Notice and Information

Monday, January 30th, 7:00pm at Doyer's Clubhouse

Hamptons at Northcross Homeowners Association, Inc. c/o Cedar Management Group, LLC PO Box 26844 Charlotte NC 28221

Phone: 704-644-8808 Fax: 704-509-2429 Annual Meeting Notice

December 27, 2022

Dear Homeowner,

The Annual Meeting of the Hamptons at Northcross Homeowners Association, Inc. has been set for January 30th, 2023 at the Doyers Clubhouse at 7:00pm. We look forward to seeing you there.

Doyers Clubhouse - 15800 Doyers Dr., Huntersville, NC 28078

Our Agenda will be:

- Welcome & Introduction
- · 2022 Accomplishments and Financial Summary
- · Declaration of Protective Covenants and Bylaws
- 2023 Budget and Capital Projects/Ratification of 2023 Budget
- · Board nominations and elections
- Question & Answer Period

Enclosed you will find a proxy statement which will allow someone to vote in your place in the event you are unable to attend the Annual Meeting. If you are unable to attend, please fill out the enclosed proxy statement and return it to Cedar Management Group or have a neighbor bring it to the meeting. The proxy statement is for the election of three (3) new board members and any other business brought before the Owners. It is very important that you return your proxy to Cedar Management or have a neighbor bring the proxy to the meeting in order to achieve quorum.

If you would like to run for the Board of Directors please send your nomination form to Cedar Management Group no less than three (3) business days before the scheduled meeting date.

A copy of the 2023 proposed budget is enclosed. Please note that a quorum of members is not required to ratify the budget. We hope to see you there!

Sincerely,

The Board of Directors

Hamptons at Northcross Homeowners Association, Inc.

NOTE: In accordance with the new HOA law regarding electronic delivery related to HOA business, we will be taking advantage of the cost savings and elimination of post office delays by <u>delivering future notices</u> (<u>including the upcom ing 2023 Annual Meeting online ballot) via email</u>. To participate, please make sure Cedar Management has your most current email address on file. You may verify this via Vine (Cedar's homeowners' portal), online chat via Cedar's web

site (cedarmanagementgroup.com, then select "Chat") or by sending an email to
Hamptonsproxies@mycmg.com. If you haven't yet registered for the online owners' portal and have
misplaced your original login information, please reach out to phrase@mycmg.com to receive your initial
login "phrase". For those of you with no email address on file, we will continue to mail hard copies through
the U.S. Postal Service. Thank you!

Attachments, as referenced in the above letter (click on links below to view/print)

Proxy
BOD Nomination Form
Proposed Budget
Online Ballot
Bylaws *changes outlined below

By mail: Hamptons at Northcross HOA, c/o Cedar Management, PO Box 481349, Charlotte, NC 28269

By fax: 704-509-2429

By email: <u>hamptonsproxies@mycmg.com</u>

Hand-delivered: 10610 Metromont Parkway, Suite 204, Charlotte, NC

additional convenient drop-off option

Place in box on front porch of Board member: Lynn Marshall (10313 Tallent Lane)

*additional bylaws information:

The Board approved the Bylaws document in Q4 of 2021, however they were not presented at the Annual Meeting in 2022 because further clarification was needed on the process for Association approval. The attorney confirmed that process in 2022 and thus the document is being presented at the January 2023 meeting.

Summary of Changes:

The primary changes made in the 2021 Review were made to ensure that the document complies with current Real Estate statutes and are being recommended for adoption based on discussion with the HOA Attorney.

Article 2, Section 3: Changes to allow for Special Meeting to be called by 10% of the Community (previously was 25%)

Article 2, Section 6: Changes to reduce the number of participants to be present at a rescheduled meeting in the event of a meeting adjournment (reduces the quorum requirement in half)

Article 2, Section 10: Removed as no longer needed in Bylaws Document; addressed handling of actions taken outside of board meetings by Directors and not required in a Bylaws Document

Article 3, Section 20: Changes made to process for handling hearings of HOA Violations. Primarily ensured that Hearing Notices, Meetings, and Fines conform to the allowable practices. Namely, Hearings must occur before fines may be assessed, which can be up to \$100 per day per violation if not cured by the homeowners.

Article VI, Section 4: Changes added to address the process for updating the Bylaws, as the document was previously silent on this point. The Bylaws may be amended by the Board of Directors and also be approved by 2/3 of the members voting in person or in proxy at a meeting, or by a Majority of the total members, whichever is less.

The other minor changes to the Bylaws were cosmetic in nature or provided additional detail on existing language for clarity. They did not impact operations of the HOA or the Board. Reference to powers and duties of the original declarant were also removed as they were no longer relevant or legally binding.

HOA Board of Directors Meet the Nominees



Mandy Iswarienko, her husband Mark, 2 Daughters Tessa (14), Emma (16) and beloved dog Arlo moved to the Hamptons in Summer 2022. She is a Senior Director for ecommerce at Husqvarna. Mandy and her family love the friendly spirit of the Hamptons, the community feel and many amenities. She thought getting involved would be a good way to contribute to preserving the Hamptons unique strengths and to meet people in the neighborhood.

Lauren Fahey is a Hamptons resident since 2017, when she and her family moved from Scottsdale, AZ for her employer, Corning Incorporated. Originally from the Cincinnati, OH area, Lauren has had the opportunity to live around the US and is very happy to be settled in Huntersville! Currently, Lauren is a Global Product Line Manager for optical fiber and has been with Corning for 9 years in several commercial/ operations roles. Lauren and her husband, Drew, have two boys, Jack (7) and Theo (4), and greatly enjoy the activities that presents - especially the wooded trails, pools, great neighbors and parks in the Hamptons! Our family loves skiing out West, cruising around Lake Norman, trying new restaurants around the Charlotte/ Lake Norman area, and can be found at almost any indoor rec center for their sons' activities. We are very appreciative to the community for so many amenities and opportunities to stay active! Lauren is also a member of the 1902 Society of the YWCA Charlotte and a Board Member for Corning Inc. Charitable Contributions Committee. Lauren is excited to contribute to the Hamptons HOA BOD and is looking forward to helping ensure the Hamptons community remains a safe, happy, prosperous and cohesive neighborhood for years to come.





Michael Cox has been in the Charlotte area for 7 years - 4 in Lake Norman - since moving here from the Bay Area of California. He and his family have lived in The Hamptons for 2 years. Michael was born, raised, and lived most of his life in Spartanburg, SC. He has 4 kids ranging in ages: A college freshman son at Charleston Southern, a 13-yr old daughter, and 2 sons aged 6 yrs and 4-1/2 years old. He is currently engaged to Bricklend Ward. Michael works for RingCentral communications as a sales engineer. Some of his family's favorite activities are hiking the beautiful state parks around here, anything power sports related as they have a couple of ATVs that they enjoy, and he also has a Harley Davidson to enjoy during nice weather.

Letter from the HOA Board

See the letter below as well as this link for <u>updated payment information</u>.

Dear Hamptons Residents,

The Board and the Committee Chairs have been developing the budget for 2023 over the past several months. The proposed budget will be shared via mail in late December in a letter from Cedar Management and in detail at the HOA Annual Meeting to be held on January 30, 2023. Prior to either of these communications, the HOA Board wanted to provide some information to the neighborhood about our current and future budgets.

The Hamptons is a unique neighborhood due to size (360 homes) and the duplication of amenities (2 pools, 2 tennis courts, 2 clubhouses). While these amenities were created for our enjoyment, maintaining these structures is expensive. The Doyers clubhouse side of the Hamptons was built in 1994 and the Vixen clubhouse side was constructed in 2000. As a result, a number of our amenities are aging and necessary maintenance projects have been completed every year. Larger, more expensive projects, however, have been required over the recent years, including the Doyers clubhouse remodel, the Doyers pool deck resurfacing, the Vixen clubhouse remodel, the replacement of the Doyers tennis courts and parking lot, and the replastering/retiling of the Vixen pool. Future replacement projects include the Vixen pool deck resurfacing, baby pool replastering/retiling, playground equipment, pool mechanical equipment, and Doyers water slide.

A full Reserve Study conducted by an outside consultant in 2013, and updated in 2017, provides the Board with a timeline for necessary capital projects. In addition, the Treasurer has created a long-term financial forecast that is updated annually. This study, along with the financial forecast, are utilized by the Board to guide decisions on capital projects and operational expenses and to project future cash flows. When the dues increase was put into effect for 2022 the Board did not anticipate needing to increase dues again in 2023. However, unprecedented inflation has necessitated another dues increase for 2023 to ensure sufficient funding for increased operating costs and elevated cost of future projects. The proposed budget for 2023 includes a \$100 increase in the annual HOA dues. You will notice in your invoice from Cedar Management there is a \$50 increase in your first payment installment for your homeowners dues. \$580 will be due on February 1st and another payment of \$580 due on April 1st of 2023.

You will receive the proposed 2023 budget in the mail in a few weeks. We invite you to review this budget and to attend the HOA Annual Meeting on January 30th to find out more information on the 2022 financials, the proposed 2023 budget, and past/future capital projects. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact the Hamptons Board.

Respectfully,

Lynn Marshall, President Leslie Welch, Vice President Larry Clever, Treasurer Jeff Price, Secretary Jean Buffum, Committee Liaison

Recycling News You Can Use

Ever think about the garbage bin we put out every Sunday and wonder if there are any ways to reduce what you throw away? Sure we have the ability to recycle but a lot of what we put in our trash could be re-used or re-purposed in some other way. See below for a tip! Questions about this recycling tip or what can be recycled in your curbside bin? Reach out via email to Hamptons neighbor Kim Aichele.

You toss in that plastic container, it goes away, and you never have to think about it again. BUT is it recyclable? Recycling contamination is the biggest problem facing recycling centers and plastic is one of the biggest contributors. We, however, can be the solution. For example, those clamshell lettuce containers that have a number 1 on them? NOT recyclable at our curb even though we have been taught that we can put 1's and 2's in our bin. There are different types of 1's and only 1's that have a neck on them like plastic water, soda, and gatorade bottles can be put in our bins. What makes this a big deal? When recycling is heavily contaminated the entire contents are thrown away.

While recycling can be confusing and sometimes complicated, being an informed consumer can really help with this process.

<u>Mecklenburg County Acceptable Recycling List</u> - click here for a list of what is and is not recyclable at your curb.

Recycle Across America - click here for more information about a nationwide push to recycle right.

* Click **HERE** for complete list of previous recycling tips

Events and Happenings

Here's What's Coming Up!!



Weekly	Mondays/Thursdays 6:00pm	Adult Open Pickleball at Doyers

Weekly Tuesdays/Thursdays 6:30pm Cardio Dance at Doyers

January 30 7:00pm Annual HOA meeting at Doyers

February 8 7:00pm Women's Wine Night at Doyers

*Watch the WW for more information coming soon!!

Women's Wine Night

Wednesday February 8, 7:00pm at Doyers

Mark your calendars now for our first Women's Wednesday Wine Night of 2023! More details to come, but as always you can for sure count on good wine and good company!



Community Information

Meeting Minutes and More

Click HERE for the HOA November Meeting Minutes

Click HERE for the HOA 2022 Committee Reports

Click HERE to access the HOA Capital Reserve Report

Click HERE for the current Community Wide Standards document

<u>Click HERE</u> for Vine (homeowner portal)

Monthly financial documents for the Hamptons HOA are always available on your homeowner log-in tab on Vine. After logging in you will see "Documents" as one of the options at the top. Financials, as well as other documents, is on the left hand side. These are updated and posted every month following the board meeting.

Need to find a neighbor? Don't forget about our <u>online directory</u>! password: *HamptonsDirectory*

Need to reserve a pickleball/tennis court? Click here for guidelines.

To reserve a court: <u>Doyers</u> -and- <u>Vixen</u>

Mailbox in need of repair? Click here for information.

Hamptons Hammerheads: Click here for our community swim team website

Hamptons HOA Board of Directors

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Leslie Welch

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Lynn Marshall

Leslie Welch

Larry Clever

Hamptons HOA Committee Chairs

Capital: Todd Kunz Communications: Barb King

Covenants: <u>Jerry Hudgins</u> Doyers Clubhouse: <u>Roberto/Miluska Taboada</u>

Pool: <u>Matt/Vanae Shope</u> Landscape: <u>Brian Register</u>

Special Events: <u>Beth Metz</u> Social: <u>Shannon Beiter/Jenny Burnside</u>

Tennis: Jennifer Hornbeck Swim Team: Kim Sasser

Vixen Clubhouse: <u>Erin Doyle and Francesca Asaro</u>

It all comes down to hiring the right real estate agent.

You've heard the news... low inventory of homes is making headlines!

The smartest thing you can do in today's competitive market is to hire a professional with proven results that knows how to navigate the low inventory market.

In my 12 years of real estate experience, I've sold over 180 homes in Huntersville. Give me a call if you have any questions about home values in the neighborhood, today's market or just want to catch up... I'm here to help!



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