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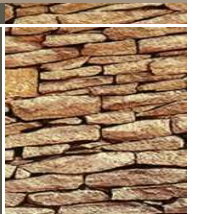
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An Insight into your Homeowners Association

# Chelsea Knolls Homeowners Association



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## *Beautification Project Updates*

1. **Improve Grass Appearance**

- **Status:** As part of the increased dues in 2019, the board added fertilizing, weed control, aerating and overseeding to the Martin contract.

2. **Lighting at Entrance**

- **Status:** *Complete.* 2 solar lights installed at entrance to shine on sign at night.

3. **Trash Containment Area**

- **Status:** *Complete.* A 4ft high, white PVC screen installed by a professional around the trash pad area measuring 6ft deep by 18ft long. 3 Sides and open facing the private drive.

4. **Planting around Trash Screen**

- **Overview:** Prepare bedding area on the outside of the trash screen to be installed. Plant twelve (12) 24-30" Winter Boxwoods. Install landscape fabric to help with weed control. Mulch area. The Alger household has donated access to their water for this summer – we need to water the Boxwoods for the first year to guarantee 1 year warranty for replacement. Work to be completed by Martin Lawn Service.
- **Status:** Funded – work to be completed when temperatures and conditions are conducive to planting

5. **Improve Pine Tree Area**

- **Overview:** We have 1 dead White Pine Tree that has already been removed but needs to be replaced. In addition, a certified arborist has recommended to kill the grass around the pine trees and allow the pine needles to naturally mulch that area over time which will encourage healthier growth of those trees. Project includes planting one 8-10' White Pine Tree and killing existing grass around and between pine trees on common area. Work to be completed by Marin Lawn Service.
- **Status:** Funded - work to be completed when temperatures and conditions are conducive to planting

# Homeowner Association Elections

Calling all homeowners! A call for candidates will be mailed to your homes this month. Board elections will be held at the Annual Meeting in September.

Please consider nominating yourself for the open position of Secretary. It is critical that all homes actively participate on the board. As a small community of 14 homes, in four short years we have already had participation from half of the homes. If the position is not filled within the neighborhood, it will be necessary to find a representative from the outside. An outside representative usually requires compensation which would stretch the already tight HOA budget.

The board position is a three year term. Board meets on a quarterly basis with the Annual Meeting in September and the Budget Meeting in November.

## **Helpful Links:**

- HOA Governing Documents - <https://www.chelseaknollshoa.org/p/Governing-Documents>
- Architectural Application Forms - <https://www.chelseaknollshoa.org/p/ARC-TemplatesForms>
- Contractor/Vendor contacts - <https://www.chelseaknollshoa.org/p/ContractorsVendors-in-CK>



*Effective Saturday, June 15, 2019, Howard County's Department of Public Works' Bureau of Environmental Services longer accepts curbside recycling placed out in plastic bags.*

*Items placed out for recycling, should be placed loose in the county assigned recycling bin/cart. Any plastic bagged recyclables will not be collected curbside.*

*Plastic bags and plastic film foul machinery, getting wrapped around recycling equipment and jamming the screens. Small plastic fragments also become air- and water-borne litter. Due to these factors, the contracted processor will not accept plastic bags. This includes loose and bundled plastic bags.*

*In addition, the Alpha Ridge Landfill Residents' Convenience Center will no longer accept items for recycling bagged in plastic.*