

Making progress one step at a time...

Meeting Notice!

April 23rd

6:30 p.m.

**Bunker Hill Lion's
Pavilion**

**Rt. 11, next to Mill
Creek Middle School**

Agenda Items

- **Use of ATV's on Roads**
- **Changes to Dues**
- **Crime in the Community**
- **Discuss upcoming elections**
- **Proposed Changes to Sections 1 & 2 of Covenants**
- **General Concerns**

ITEMS UP FOR DISCUSSION AND VOTE

Use of 4-wheelers and other non-street legal ATV's

It is a safety issue to have these unauthorized vehicles (such as 4-wheelers, golf carts, etc.) driven on the neighborhood streets, especially by people without any drivers education.

Berkeley County has adopted an ordinance to restrict all ATV's from public streets, no matter what the use, and County subdivisions have the option of also adopting this ordinance and have the Sheriff's Office enforce the restrictions. However, the board has discussed this and would like to propose a different option that permits only ATV's in working conditions, such as snow plowing. Any ATV found on the streets in not a working situation will be reported to the authorities.

Collection of Outstanding Dues

Tony Miller and Les VanGilder took great strides in the collection of outstanding dues. Disregarding the current year, there were over 29 homes that had not paid 2006/2007 dues and before. So, they contacted each and every

outstanding homeowner and collected all outstanding dues with the exception of 1 home. They collected over \$1300 in back dues!

However, it took a lot of time and effort for these two officers to collect these funds. Based on this, there has been a discussion on how to ensure this type of collection effort isn't necessary again.

It has been recommended a more specific date be set for when dues are due. Therefore, it is going to be proposed that for each term beginning July 1st that all dues will be due by September 30th of that year. Then, for all outstanding dues after that point, the HOA will take action as allowed by law to collect. This then gives nine months for the collection efforts and all dues should be collected prior to the end of the term so new officers will not be responsible for past collections.

In addition, notices have gone out to those homeowners that have not yet paid the 2007/2008 dues.

Also, there will be a discussion on raising dues by \$40 a year in order to raise enough money to make improvements in the neighborhood.

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Update to the Board:

Chris Dye has stepped up to the plate to participate as a Board member. Thanks Chris!

He now joins:

- Tony Miller
- Ryan Agoney
- Cheryl Middleton
- Frank Hartwick

Committee News:

Remember-Prior to making any significant changes to your property, like adding a structure or installing a fence, be sure and submit your plans for approval to the Building Committee at the HOA PO Box. This will help prevent any potential property disputes. The Building Committee members are:

- Tony Miller
- Ryan Agoney
- Les VanGilder

Friendly Reminders :)

- Berkeley County does have a leash law, so please keep your pets properly contained.
- Untagged and out-of-state licensed vehicles are prohibited by law. Violators will be reported.
- Be courteous to your neighbors by keeping your lawns mowed, trash contained, etc.

Crime in the Community

There seems to be an increase in various types of crime in the neighborhood, including vandalism, speeding, and apparent drug activity. In order to ensure your safety, please do NOT take matters into your own hands. Please call the Sheriff's office. This is only effective if homeowners call enough to complain. You must call EVERYDAY! Sheriff

Smith actually recommended this. Do not just sit and watch our community be taken over by this disrespect. Please call and report ANY issues, no matter how big or small. This is the only way for us to see any change!

Other concerns/issues/topics:

- ♦ We are still researching the road ownership issue and

hope to find some more information shortly.

- ♦ The Covenants for Sections 1 & 2 are up for review and it has been suggested to make them both mirror Section 3. Tony will research to compare the differences and let affected homeowners know of any potential changes.

Check out our website for bank statements, Bylaws, updates, news items, events, etc.
www.geocities.com/sgha2

To send comments to the HOA or to have future newsletters emailed instead of mailed to you, please send an email to sylvangrovehoa@gmail.com

Opportunity is Knocking!

The current term is coming to a close very shortly. We are looking for people to step up to the plate to become the next Officers and Board members. We will be discussing the upcoming election process on the 23rd. It will be the perfect

time to start thinking of which position you'd like to be nominated for. We need dedicated homeowners to help make this community great!

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E Everyone
A Achieves

Mark your calendars and break out your tables!

The next Sylvan Grove Community Yard sale is scheduled for Sat., May 10th. Please remove your signs at the end of this sale and any other yard sale you may have.