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NEXT MEETING WILL BE JUNE 6TH, 2019 AT THE CHESTER LIBRARY
7:00 PM

We are continuing to walk and ride through the neighborhood to ensure that the efforts of the last 3 months are paying off and are approaching homeowner's satisfaction. Specifically, since March the results of the pre-emergent weed controls; the fertilizing and trimming of the trees & shrubs; the pruning of the azaleas and ensuring that all irrigation systems are operating or we are capturing any issues identified and required solutions.

I have been getting some positive feedback from homeowners that the lawns and yards overall are looking better i.e., little to no weeds; trimming and improved grass cuttings. That said, RSG Landscaping is still working to complete any missed prunings while working to ensure that our irrigation systems are fully operational. All Backflow testing has been completed and specific failures have been published.

Summer begins and with comes the heat and we all want to make certain our irrigation systems are providing the right amount of water for our grass to remain green without creating additional drainage issues. It's a sensitive balance. Currently, we have fewer wet areas but, with the current heatwave, we don't want to do so at the expense of our lawns. Homeowners that have irrigation issues they have been identified to them (e.g., bad clocks; failed backflows; electricity). We need to quickly coordinate and resolve those matters with RSG (there is a \$cost) so that their yards don't suffer.

Additionally, all of our newly planted trees will also require watering during this time and we need to collectively agree to a sustainable solution for watering the trees throughout the summer. I have asked Shipp & Wilson for a temporary solution and am awaiting their response & estimate. Recently we have gathered information related to the cleanup of the pond/ creek / wetlands running behind Village Creek Drive that's owned by Jim Daniels. Discussions related to any potential solutions are underway.

Finally, as always, we ask for you to look over your exterior of your home and repair, paint or replace doors, fencing, shutters and lattice, as necessary. Please see if your home or fences needs power washing. Pat Shiber, ARC chairman will be walking around and making note some things that perhaps been done. If so, you will receive a notification related to the matter. This is done to ensure your (our) neighborhood real estate values remains as high as possible.

PS: Currently, the board is actively working to fill the operational void that will exist as Florence (our manager) retires after 10 years in addition to the announcement that our Treasurer's retirement (Arlene Ripp) is close behind. So, don't forget to join us in thanking Florence for her longstanding support and dedication to the beautification of our neighborhood... I anticipate that during our August board meeting we will have a full run-down of any and all new processes changes that may emerge from the re-organization.

Thank you,