Country Side South Homeowners Association

ANNUAL MEETING NOTICE

(AND NEWSLETTER)

Monday December 4, 2023 7:00 PM

The ANNUAL MEETING is the last meeting of the year. The purpose of the Annual Meeting is to get the Board realigned and ready for a new year of meetings. The Annual meeting is typically where officers are elected or reconfirmed. For 2024 we will need to fill the President and Secretary positions. In spite of the fact that for 2023 the HOA had no President we still somehow managed to have all but one scheduled monthly meeting, enjoy an ice cream social event at the picnic grounds, hire a groundskeeper and improve many household improvement projects. On that note Countryside South just keeps getting better and better; thanks to Rapid City's expansion, a hail season filled with insurance claims and a neighborhood that desires to modernize their homes, it just looks nicer and nicer driving through every day. Thank you, neighbors, for caring for our little slice of heaven.

You are all invited to this upcoming Meeting, please try your best to attend. We will have **two main topics** to discuss at this meeting and desire your input and participation. Those topics are: Nominating HOA Board officers and discussing neighborhood improvement possibilities.

Our HOA Board consists of a President, a Vice President, a Secretary, a Treasurer, a Chairman of the Architectural Control Committee (ideally consisting of 3 individuals) a Facebook Coordinator and other non-officer members. In the twenty-some years of this development many, many residents have served on this HOA Board and we thank them. However, many residents have not. The US Postal Service says people move approximately once every seven years and using their math we should have 25 or so new homeowners each year so there must be a lot of residents that have not yet served. We also understand that life gets in the way of volunteering and in almost every one of the HOA volunteers' individual cases they have had to work around those situations, that's why it is nice to have more board members than needed to help cover for each other when possible. **We need your help**, set a good example for your kids, volunteering helps you sleep at night (a theory). Come join us on December 4th.

Since the neighborhood is energized to keep the development a beautiful and wonderful place to live, this HOA Board also wishes to do our part to help with that. We desire to utilize your HOA annual dues to reinvest into our neighborhood. We have excess funds available now that we would like to spend on improvements and are looking for your help and input. What would be the best investment we could make for Countryside South? Our last major improvement was the new playground on the west side of Countryside Blvd done in 2017. We might do something to improve our other two playgrounds, or we may do some sort of semi-major landscaping of the common areas. The 2017 Playground project was a bit more than a year in planning with a bunch of help from the neighborhood; we developed a playground committee that put countless hours into research and planning to come up with a beautiful new playground replacing the old unused volleyball court at an investment of some \$45,000. Our Board was energized, the neighborhood was energized, and we have all enjoyed the result. We are open-minded and we want to discuss options with the neighborhood, it's your money we're investing. Please bring your thoughts December 4th. Thank you.

WINTER IS COMING

- Speed in the neighborhood is 25 miles per hour, please drive carefully.
- Roads get snow covered and icy so do our driveways.
- On Street Parking is prohibited, snowplows, fire trucks and ambulances need to get through.
- Watch out for pedestrians and dog walkers walking on the streets.
- Be extra careful to watch for kids entering and exiting school buses.

NOTE: PUBLIC HEARING

Tuesday November 21, 2023, 10:30 AM Pennington County Administration Building 130 Kansas City Street Rapid City

(Zoning Variance to allow for more than 40 dwelling units off Countryside Blvd south of our present neighborhood)

NOTE: CSSHOA ANNUAL MEETING

Monday December 4th, 2023, 7:00 PM Whispering Pines Fire Station