

# Lincolnshire Fields Homeowners' Association

## Fall 2022 Homeowner Newsletter



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### Important Announcements, Dates & Reminders

#### **LFHA Annual Dues Assessment:**

This is a reminder that the HOA dues (for 2023) will be due by October 31, 2022. Dues are \$50. Please make your check payable to: **Lincolnshire Fields HOA** and mail to the following address.

LFHA Treasurer  
1919 Trout Valley  
Champaign, IL 61822

Thanks to all who've completed this task but as a reminder to those still needing to make your payment, do NOT leave payments in the Treasurer's mailbox without postage. Late payment fees will be assessed at the following rates:

- Payments not received (or postmarked) by 10/31/22: a \$25 late fee will be imposed
- Payments not received by 12/31/22: a \$50 late fee via registered letter
- Payments not received by 1/7/23: a lien will be placed against the property (along with a late fee of \$100 + mailing fees, and cost of filing lien)

Note to condo owners in the Greens: Your condo HOA will submit your dues. Any questions may be directed to the LFHA Treasurer at: [LisaARomero@gmail.com](mailto:LisaARomero@gmail.com)

We appreciate your prompt payment!

#### **Fall Yard Waste Pickup dates**

There are two yard-waste pick up dates scheduled. Please mark your calendars for: Monday, November 14 & Monday November 28.

As always, please ensure that all yard waste is properly bagged in paper bags or tied into bundles (max of four feet long) and placed curbside by 7am on those collection days. Allowable yard waste includes leaves, twigs, small branches, dead plants or other organic material. ***Grass clippings and anything other than specified yard waste will not be picked up.***

Please also note that the Township now makes use of a truck based mechanical

"grapple" system for collection for yard waste pickup and as such have asked that homeowners refrain from placing their bags or bundles underneath overhanging trees that might interfere with this newer equipment.

Last, if you wish to dispose of yard waste at other times throughout the year, Lincolnshire Fields residents may drop it off free of charge at the Township Road Department facility located at the end of Kearns Road (east of Staley Road). The facility is open on non-holiday weekdays from 7am – 3pm. All that is required is that you sign their logbook which is located just outside the entry door of the facility prior to entering the gate and dumping your yard waste in the marked locations.

Many thanks to Keith Padgett and his Township road crew team for their continued time and efforts in support of our Lincolnshire Fields community!

### **Neighborhood Crime Update:**

YTD we've received only one report of crime in the community and it involved the theft of some checks that had been left overnight in a homeowner mailbox. Fortunately there was a positive outcome as Urbana police were able to make a recovery but let it be a warning to us all about remaining vigilant in preventing "crimes of opportunity" situations like this. Here are a few thoughts for consideration:

- \* Per our LFHA covenants, ensure that your front yard light posts are in proper working condition (switching on at dusk and off at dawn).
- \* LFHA covenants also stress that overnight street parking of cars, trucks, trailers or other vehicles is not allowed in the community.
- \* Avoid leaving any valuables, whether they be in a vehicle, on a porch or out in a visible yard area (such as bikes, toys, packages, or mail) are properly stored out of sight.
- \* Avoid leaving mail in mailboxes or on a porch overnight.
- \* Do not leave your house doors unlocked or your garage doors open for extended periods.
- \* Make a conscious effort to be aware of and report any suspicious or unfamiliar activity to authorities.ta

### **LFHA Tree Replacement Program:**

Fall is an optimum time of the year for the planting of new trees. Our LFHA Tree Replacement Program allows for reimbursement of one tree per homesite per year and features two levels of homeowner reimbursement (\$200 for trees planted in parkway areas (between the street and sidewalk) or \$100 for trees planted in the front yard area (between your home and sidewalk area).

The approval / reimbursement process is simple and expedient to use. Complete details and an extensive list of suitable trees is available for your review on our community website under the "Announcements" tab. Our website address is <http://www.lincolnshirefields.com>.

### **Landscaping Projects Update:**

Landscaping has been installed at all signage points around our community along with some additional updates at the Staley / Clubhouse intersection. We also just had some seasonal cleanup work completed along the 'Kirby Commons' strip of land that extends west from the Cobblefield / Kirby entryway.

Our planning efforts for 2023 will include research into the installation of water lines

and power to the community entrances for the installation of an automated sprinkler system for the care of landscaping and to enhance nighttime illumination of our neighborhood entry points.

### **Homeowner Property Maintenance:**

With winter weather approaching we want to remind all homeowners about their responsibility of ensuring that sidewalks along their property remain clear and passable of snow, overhanging tree branches, overgrown shrubbery or lawn grasses in need of edging. We have a number of active residents and service companies who make regular use of these sidewalk passageways throughout the year and as such respectfully ask your vigilance and compliance in keeping these passage ways clear.

One final reminder: As we head into the winter season snow accumulations, our Township street snow removal crews may at times need to push or pile snow in certain locations that might possibly infringe on homeowner properties in order to clear roadways for proper traffic access and movement. While this might prove to be an inconvenience for some it is an accepted practice for the Township crew needs. We do ask your patience and understanding of the constraints that the road crews are working under during those weather conditions. Should there be a situation arise that you feel needs to be addressed, please feel free to reach out directly to the Township office or to LFHA President Mark Taylor @ (217) 419-0140.



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