**September 2022 Billing Newsletter**

**PLEASE SLOW DOWN!**

The office has received increased reports of speeding vehicles within our community. Our streets must remain a safe place not only for vehicles, but especially for our children, bicyclists, and walkers. Even though we try to watch out for their safety in every way, children often run out or dart from behind parked cars into the street. Schools are open: Be alert for children walking to and from bus stops in the early morning and afternoon. Please be aware of your speed, for everyone’s safety. The speed limit in our community is **25 MPH**.

**![MCHH01599_0000[1]]()**As you all know, we are currently in the process of replacing the filtration system in our water plant. The conversion of our small reservoir in the pump house to a chlorination basin has slowed our water production. With the current use of water in our community, the reservoir is unable to fill completely, resulting in fluctuating chlorine levels and colored water. We all **must conserve water** as much as possible until the project is completed. Engineering plans have had to be revised and new projected timeline is spring 2023.

September is **National Preparedness Month**, we are reminding you to build your emergency kit. Keeping your kit stocked with necessities like food, water, flashlights, radios, extra batteries and medical care can make a difference in the face of a disaster. Consider unique needs of your family. Include supplies that might be needed by pets, older adults, and those with disabilities in the event of an emergency. Both the CDC and Red Cross have emergency kit checklists and other information on their websites.

What a great summer we've had! It has been good to see so many community members get outside and enjoy all that our pool has to offer. Thank you to our pool staff who kept everything running smoothly for our members and visitors. **The pool is now closed** for the winter. There are a few lost and found items, please contact the office at 360-678-7446 if you are missing anything. Any leftover items will be donated to charity on September 30th.

Coyotes continue to be spotted in our community. Do not allow pets to run loose at any time as they are easy prey. Do not let pets chase coyotes. They are pack animals and may be luring your pet to the rest of the pack. Do not leave any food or water outside that may attract coyotes to your property. If you do encounter a coyote, throw rocks, make noise, or spray them with a garden hose.

**![MCj02334130000[1]]()**Fall is just around the corner, so grab your sweaters, pumpkin spice lattes, and apple cider donuts. While you’re at it, now is a good time to prepare your home for cooler weather, falling leaves, and winter storms. Give your home some TLC by completing these few simple tasks, such as cleaning the gutters, replacing or cleaning furnace filter, checking the roof and sealing up air leaks.

Billing has changed in recent months. If you use your bank’s bill pay, please update it to reflect the changes.

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**Board of Directors meetings are held the 2nd Tuesday of every month.** The next one is scheduled for Tuesday, September 13, 2022 at 7pm at the clubhouse. All members are invited and encouraged to attend.