

## November 7, 2017

## Dear Neighbors,

The Pepper Ridge Civic Association held a meeting on September 28, 2017 to discuss various topics regarding the neighborhood. The first order of business was the nomination and election of officers. Nominations were made from the floor. As there was only one person for each office and each of the nominees accepted their respective offices, a motion was made and seconded to elect the full slate.

President: William Lynch V Vice-President: Matthew Bowe

Treasurer: Sally Berger Secretary: Nicole Long

We, the new officers, would like to formally thank the past officers for their service. The past officers did a wonderful job at making Pepper Ridge a vibrant, family-oriented neighborhood. We would like to continue their work, but with our own style. We have an enthusiastic vision to make Pepper Ridge a community again. We believe that a stronger sense of community will bring about growth and safety in our neighborhood. We want to keep our neighborhood at a high standard of excellence. We will be walking around the neighborhood to personally introduce ourselves soon. We're excited to meet you!

The first part of doing so centers around using the Pepper Ridge Civic Association Facebook page. You can access the page by typing in "Pepper Ridge Civic Association" into the search bar, or by going to:
<a href="https://www.facebook.com/pepperridgecivicassociation">www.facebook.com/pepperridgecivicassociation</a>

This will be our new "hub." All information about the neighborhood's upcoming events, meetings, and dues will be updated on the Facebook page. The more interactive and involved we can be as a community, the better and more attractive our community will become!

## Pepper Ridge is VERY low on funds for current maintenance of common areas and future snow and ice removal.

The \$40 Annual Civic Association payment was due November 1, 2017. However, due to the reorganization, we have been delayed in billing and now ask that you remit your dues by December 1, 2017. These dues are for two things that impact all of us as a community:

- 1. Snow Removal
- 2. Landscaping the 3 common areas

We need as many residents, owners or renters, to pay their dues (\$40.00 annually) so we can afford to have our roads plowed this winter! PLEASE, if you have been remiss about paying, we ask that you forward your payment to:

Sally Berger 4946 Mermaid Blvd Wilmington, DE 19808

If you are a renter and not sure if your landlord pays the annual dues, please contact them to confirm. Any arrangements should be worked out with them.

The last order of business regards the use of the large dumpsters found in a couple of driveways. These dumpsters are not for your trash. Going back to the idea of committing ourselves and our community to a new standard of excellence, this starts with respecting our neighbor's property as you would wish to have your property respected by them.

We appreciate your support and hope to serve you all well over the upcoming year. We are happy to hear any and all requests, comments, concerns, and rebuttals. Please, drop us a line or stop by for a chat. We are an approachable team that wants to grow. We have ideas for putting together larger committees if anyone feels like they want to help or get involved.

We plan to pass out surveys to see how we could be of better assistance and what role you would like to play in our community. Also, we'd like to hold quarterly meetings and reach out to local law enforcement to speak to us about crime in the area and how to keep our neighborhood safe and sound. Our main focuses are collecting dues to make sure everyone can safely drive in and out during snowstorms, and to create a standard of excellence that inspires teamwork and a feeling of community for our neighborhood. Stay tuned!

Respectfully submitted,

Pepper Ridge Civic Association