

2016 Little River Trails Home Owner Association Informational Packet

Thank you for attending the Open House. Below you will find helpful information for your HOA. Please review and let me know if you have any questions.

I. The What, Why, & Who of an HOA

- a. Little River Trails HOA is a not-for-profit organization that is built up of lot owners known as “members” and is put in place to protect home values as well as to enhance the look and feel of the community.

II. The Director of Community Operations – Rob Green

- a. As the Director of Community Operations, there are four primary scopes of work in this position.
 - i. Collect HOA Dues: send out invoices and statements collecting HOA dues. This is how the HOA operates and pays for HOA expenses.
 - ii. Request and Receive HOA Landscape Bids: receive at least three competitive bids to maintain the common area in Little River Trails.
 - iii. Enforce Community Covenant Violations: a homeowner fills out an HOA complaint form, sends to the Director of Community Operations and a ticket opens to attempt to resolve the issue.
 - iv. Review the Design Review Applications: Review applications that apply to all lot modifications.

III. Homeowner Association Governing Documents

- a. The association’s governing documents are made up of legally binding documents that are filed at the county office.
 - i. Declarations: The real property covenants, filed with county clerk. Provides structural and use restrictions and creates the community association.
 - ii. Bylaws: The business practices of an HOA: who governs, how often, when/where/how do we meet and conduct business.
 - iii. Initial Rules: The rules flesh out the can’s and cant’s within the community.
 - iv. Guidelines: These are like rules except they are weighted toward structural/aesthetic restrictions.
 - 1. If you are interested in changing or adding something to your home or lot, please submit an application.
- b. The HOA governing documents can be requested from the Director of Community Operations.

IV. Financials –

- a. The current bank balance 1.5.15 for Little River Trails is \$2,328.24. To help with the current balance, Ideal Homes and the Developer are also paying HOA dues for all vacant lots as well as all homes that are not occupied.

Additional Information regarding Little River Trails –

Below is additional information usually communicated within a HOA. I wanted to point out, some of these items are not necessarily taking place in Little River Trails, it's just if they were to take place this is the information to reference.

2015 Dues – Your 2015 dues were collected at closing in which you should've paid a pro-rated amount from the day you closed until December 31. You're receiving your 2016 HOA dues invoice for \$480 to cover the HOA expenses.

Clubhouse Reservation – Once completed, and you are interested in making a reservation to the clubhouse, please e-mail me the request and I'll reply with the appropriate forms. It will be a \$100 deposit that you get back post event and if everything is in good shape.

Dog Barking and Leash Laws – The Association may correspond with a resident if a dog is barking, but the best thing to do is contact Animal Welfare or the Norman Action Center. The Action Center is 405-366-5332. The same for all pets being leashed located in the common areas.

2.2 Pets. Raising, breeding, or keeping animals, livestock, or poultry of any kind, except that a reasonable number of dogs, cats, or other usual and common household pets may be permitted in a Unit. However, those pets which are permitted to roam free, or, in the sole discretion of the Board, make objectionable noise, endanger the health or safety of, or constitute a nuisance or inconvenience to the occupants of other Units shall be removed upon the Board's request. If the pet owner fails to honor such request, the Board may remove the pet. Dogs shall be kept on a leash or otherwise confined in a manner acceptable to the Board whenever outside the dwelling. Pets shall be registered, licensed and inoculated as required by law;

Lawn Maintenance – During the mowing season, please make sure you maintain your lawn according to the below language; mowed, edged, and fall/winter weed control is applied. Again, during the growth season, reference the text below pulled from the covenants:

Section 5 Maintenance and Repair. 5.1 Maintenance of Lots.

Each Owner shall maintain such Owner's Lot, including all landscaping and improvements comprising the Lot, in a manner consistent with Little River Trails Governing Documents, Little River Trails Standard and all applicable covenants, unless, such maintenance responsibility is otherwise assumed by or assigned to the Association pursuant to any Supplemental Declaration or other declaration of covenants applicable to such Lot. Each Owner shall ensure their Lot is maintained in a neat and orderly fashion, not overgrown with vegetation, in a manner consistent with the Little River Trails Standard.

Street parking: Please try your best to park in your driveway (without blocking sidewalks). The below box is a section in the restrictive covenants referring to parking in Little River Trails.

2.1 Parking. Parking any vehicles on public or private streets or thoroughfares, or parking of commercial vehicles or equipment, mobile homes, recreational vehicles, golf carts, boats and other watercraft, trailers, stored vehicles, or inoperable vehicles in places other than enclosed garages; provided, construction, service and delivery vehicles shall be exempt from this provision for such period of time as is reasonably necessary to provide service or to make a delivery to a Lot or the Common Area;

Additional information regarding the city and parking:

- a. The vehicle must be properly tagged and in good operating condition.
- b. The vehicle must be parked with the flow of traffic.
- c. The vehicle must not be parked such as to present a hazard to normal traffic flow.
- d. The vehicle may not be leaking oil onto the street.
- e. You may consult the Norman City municipal Code at <http://www.municode.com> for further restrictions, or you can call or e-mail the Norman Action Center at [405-366-5396](tel:405-366-5396) or e-mail at action.center@normanok.gov. Also, if a car is parked too close to the mailbox the, Postal Service may not deliver the mail.

Garbage Cans – Please try to have your trash cart put up the night of trash day. The City requires your trash cart to be put up the following day of trash collection. Also the covenants do require that cans be screened from view below:

4.40. **Trash and Garbage Receptacles.** Trash and other receptacles shall be absent from view from any street, any Unit, and Common Areas on all days other than designated trash and/or recycling pick up days.

If you do not have the room in your garage to store trash cans, please store the trash can at your back gate or in your back yard. This has worked in other communities. Please comply with the covenants.

Boats & Trailers in Driveways or Streets - Boats and trailers may park in driveway on a temporarily basis. If you need to wash or repair your boat, please notify the HOA and communicate the time your boat will be in the community. For use of trailers, please follow the same rule.

Speeding Traffic through the Community – Please observe city traffic laws and all residential speeds zones. If you observe speeding traffic, please keep track of the following: type of car, time of day, and area of driving. After you have gathered the above information, notify your local traffic law enforcement then notify the Director of Community of Operations.

Pet Waste: Please, if you own a pet and they soil the common areas in Little River Trails, I really need your help picking up after your pet.

Sports and Play equipment – Please screen all play equipment when not in use, specifically portable basketball goals. The idea is to have them in good shape and not leaning over on ground when not in use.

Reporting Street Repairs – If you observe a pothole or a major crack in the street, you may

contact the Norman Street Maintenance Department at 405-329-2524 and provide exact address of crack and pothole.

Reporting Street Lights Repairs – To turn in a street light repair request: you can either call OG&E at 405-272-9595 or e-mail at INSPDESK@oge.com or provide the address of the light or the closest intersection. I would advise asking for a case number in return for follow up purpose.

Reporting Violations – To report a violation in Little River Trails, please send written correspondence to Little River Trails HOA at info@littlerivertrailshoa.com . If you recognize the violation falls under city code, call **Norman Action Center at 405-366-5396**

Tree Replacement Project in Common Areas –The HOA is currently flagging the dead trees in the common areas. From now until March, the HOA will replace dead trees in the common area.

HOA Contact & Accountability – Any homeowner from the Little River Trails HOA is always welcome to schedule an appointment with me to discuss HOA matters. For example, to view any funds that are spent and allocated as well as enforcement upon Little River Trails Community Covenants.

Lot Modification (DRB's) – If you would like to add a shed, shelter, new roof, or installing a pool. Please check your guidelines in the Governing Documents. Then you need to fill out a DRB form on the website.

Compliance and Enforcement – When the HOA makes note of a violation, written notice is sent out. If the homeowner fails to respond and not comply with the covenant and restrictions, then through procedural efforts the HOA eventually may impose monetary fines which shall constitute a lien upon the unit or take litigation measures on lot owner at owner's expense.

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