

BARRINGTON NEWS

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HAPPY NEW YEAR FROM THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS AND MANAGEMENT: We have much to be grateful for, particularly all our neighbors and the people who make this such a wonderful community. It is our wish that you have a prosperous new year in your work and play, and with your family and friends. Again, Happy New Year!

SNOW & COLD WEATHER REMINDERS: As we move further into winter and prepare for snow and colder temperatures, we have a few winter weather reminders:

1. **ICE:** The cold, wet weather can bring slippery conditions. Please be careful and take caution as you move around Barrington Park as there will be areas that may have snow and ice. Ice Melt (not salt) is available to help control slippery surfaces. You can pick ice melt up in the office or request maintenance to deliver it by emailing us at office@barringtonparkhoa.com.
2. **SNOW REMOVAL:**
 - Snow removal is completed when storms accumulate a depth of 2 or more inches.
 - Streets: Streets are given priority. The first areas are the entrances and around the post office, followed by the main streets and finally the side streets. Please remember **no parking on the streets overnight and no parking overnight in guest parking without permits.**
 - Sidewalks and driveways: As with street plowing, sidewalks and driveways are completed on a priority system. First being the post office, next the major walking areas then the rest of the drives and walks. In other words, they will eventually get to you and are happy to do so. It simply takes time, so please be a little patient with us and know we will get to you. Any help that is provided by you is appreciated and expedites the whole snow removal process. The crew does not remove snow from patio or deck areas.
3. **HOSE BIBS:** Just a reminder, be sure your outside hose is disconnected from the hose bib and turn the water off to the hose bib either by a valve inside your home or that a freeze free valve is installed and working properly.

FREEZING PIPES: No matter how new or old homes are, pipes that are in exterior walls can be susceptible to freezing when temperatures get cold. That is true of those pipes under sinks where no heat can get to the wall. When you believe the temperature is going to be cold for a period, open the cabinet doors and let some heat get to those walls. For areas such as showers or bathtubs, it wouldn't hurt to let a little water trickle just while it is cold. Along with freezing pipes be sure your outside hose is disconnected from the hose bib, and you want to be sure you can turn the water off to the hose either by a valve inside your home or that a freeze free valve is installed and working properly.

CHRISTMAS DECORATIONS: Homeowners should be pleased with the way Barrington Park looked during the Holidays. There were many great decorations, and it made the whole community look and feel festive. The Board wants to thank all those that decorated. So that Barrington will look well kept, please remove your decorations before January 15, 2024, weather permitting. If you put your Christmas Trees at the curb, our maintenance crew will haul them off to the recyclers.

SECURITY REMINDER: Barrington Park has very little crime. When an incident is reported, it is often a crime of opportunity because a car door has been left unlocked or items are visible in a car. Please remember that valuables should never be left in your car, and you should always remember to lock your doors. If you see something, say something. **Emergencies and criminal activity should always be reported to law enforcement first.**

PARKING: As a reminder, anyone parking overnight in spots other than their assigned carports or driveways, must have a parking pass to do so. Temporary passes are free and may be obtained from the office. If the office is closed, please place a note in the window. This lets the tow company and compliance committee know the owner is aware of the parking restrictions and that the car parked is only temporary. Long term passes, anything over two weeks, must be obtained from the office and there is a \$25.00 per month charge.

Please remember, a Barrington Park parking permit DOES NOT grant permission to park on the streets. Vehicles CANNOT be parked on the street between the hours of midnight-6:00 AM.

BOARD MEETING: As a reminder, the Barrington Park Board meeting is held on the third Wednesday of every month at 6:00 pm in the office. **The next meeting will be Wednesday, January 17, 2024.**

December 2023 Park Report

JOB ORDER STATUS:

New Requests: 28
Closed Requests: 22
Open Work Orders: 31
(Counter 13,109)

GROUNDS & BUILDINGS:

- 1- Rain gutter cleanout ongoing
- 2- Leaf cleanup is ongoing

NEW HOMEOWNERS: No new homeowners

FINANCE & MANAGEMENT: When making payments, please make sure your address appears somewhere on the check, money order, and within your financial institutions' bill-pay system. Your address is your account number and helps ensure your payments are being posted to the proper account. HOA fees are due the 1st of the month (even if you do not get a statement until sometime later). A late charge of \$25.00 or 5%, whichever is greater, **will** be charged for any payment received after the 15th of the month.

AUTOMATIC HOA PAYMENTS: For your convenience, Barrington Park can set up a reoccurring withdrawal (ACH) directly from your financial institution. It is easy, secure (no need to worry about fraud), and prevents late payments and late fees. If you are interested in making the switch, please email the office at office@barringtonparkhoa.com and we can help get you set up.