



New Rule Regarding Dead or Dying Trees in Residents' Front or Side Lawn Areas

Whereas the invasion of the notoriously destructive Emerald Ash Borer (EAB) is continuing its inevitable path through the Riverwoods Community and is becoming more and more evident as time passes,

Whereas the Riverwoods Community and its individual Owners have been continuously implementing an EAB Plan conceived in 2014 and initially funded in 2015; significant effort and funds have been expended to remove dead or dying potentially hazardous trees on Common Property in order to maintain the woodland aesthetics of our community,

Whereas the Community plans to continue implementation of its EAB Plan for the Common Property for as long as it takes in order to assure the long-term maintenance or renewal of the lovely and healthy woodland aesthetic of the community,

Whereas while it had been anticipated that Unit Owners on their own initiative would remove & replace dead or dying trees on their private property and especially those trees which are visible from the Street by other residents, this has not been happening in some cases,

Therefore in order to maintain and protect the lovely aesthetics of our neighborhood from the potential blight of dead or dying trees in the **front or side** yards of any Owner's private property, the Board of Directors of the Riverwoods Homeowners Association has decided to implement a new rule, effective on January 1, 2020 and as described below:

Private Property Tree Removal Rule

- If a tree of any species on Private Property is certified by an HOA arborist to be dead or irreversibly dying, the HOA will request that the Unit Owner remove the tree(s) within 60 days (Removal means that tree will be removed from the property, have the stump ground down or otherwise removed, and the lawn repaired and seeded). The planting of replacement trees is of course encouraged.
- If such a tree(s) has been identified by the HOA and a 60 day removal notice (Request for Tree Removal) has been provided to the Unit Owner to remove said tree(s) and the Unit Owner has not still acted upon it within the 60 days, the HOA will itself act and remove such a tree(s) in the manner described and will charge the Unit Owner for the cost of such removal.



New Plan Regarding Planting New Trees in Residents' Front or Side Lawn Areas

The Board has decided that in the interest of supporting the planting of new trees on private property we will soon implement a policy that will help subsidize your cost of buying and planting a new tree on your private property. **This has nothing to do with whether you have removed Ash Trees affected by the Emerald Ash Borer.**

The details are currently founded on the attached list of desirable and sustainable species of trees with reduced prices which will be made available to residents who wish to take advantage of a commercial "Bulk" purchase and installation opportunity with a selected professional landscaping company (DiCenso) who will supply and install all the new trees in the most economical manner.

The purchase details, payment, contract and warranty will be between the Resident and DiCenso.

The reduced prices reflect the fact that there will be multiple Residents participating and that HOA will pay DiCenso \$100 for each compliant tree purchased and planted in Riverwoods.

The size and type of new tree is up to you; you must confirm to us your planned participation **by March 1, 2020**; you then instruct DiCenso about your choice of species, size and planting location. You pay DiCenso at the indicated "Bulk Price". With proper documentation we will then pay DiCenso the additional \$100. While the \$100 is based on only 1 tree per property and of a meaningful size (minimum caliper of 2"- 2.5" inches), additional trees can be purchased at the Bulk price plus \$100 at the same time.

To be clear if the selected listed tree is quoted at say \$410 by DiCenso, you will pay \$410 and we will pay \$100 to DiCenso. The reduced "Bulk" price and the additional \$100 will hopefully entice owners to participate. Additional trees of this same type and at this same time can be purchased for \$510, paid to DiCenso

An Additional Bench will be installed near the top of the Entrance Hill

FYI a new bench will be installed along the sidewalk at the intersection of The Deerpath and Riverwoods Drive. It will be identical to the one in the middle of the hill.



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Estimate

ADDRESS

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ESTIMATE # 1561
DATE 08/19/2019

ACTIVITY	QTY	RATE	AMOUNT
Landscape Installation Community Tree Planting Options: (1) Acer Rubrum, 'October Glory' Red Maple (2"-2.5" caliper): Pricing includes: delivery, installation of the material/ staking and a 2 year warranty. Planting area must have stumps removed in order for planting. We can also provide pricing for stump removal if need be, upon request. Total: \$410.00	1		
Landscape Installation (2) Tilia Cordata, 'Little Leaf Linden' (2"-2.5" caliper): Pricing includes: delivery, installation of the material/ staking and a 2 year warranty. Planting area must have stumps removed in order for planting. We can also provide pricing for stump removal if need be, upon request. Total: \$410.00	1		
Landscape Installation (3) Quercus Bicolor, 'Swamp Oak' (2"-2.5" caliper): Pricing includes: delivery, installation of the material/ staking and a 2 year warranty. Planting area must have stumps removed in order for planting. We can also provide pricing for stump removal if need be, upon request. Total: \$425.00	1		
Landscape Installation (4) Cercis Canadensis, 'Eastern Redbud' (2"-2.5" caliper): Pricing includes: delivery, installation of the material/ staking and a 2 year warranty. Planting area must have stumps removed in order for planting. We can also provide pricing for stump removal if need be, upon request. Total: \$410.00	1		
Landscape Installation (5) Cornus Florida, 'Flowering Dogwood' (2"-2.5" caliper): Pricing includes: delivery, installation of the material/ staking and a 2 year warranty. Planting area must have stumps removed in order for planting. We can also provide pricing for stump removal if need be, upon request. Total: \$495.00	1		

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