

2017 Harvest Farms Neighborhood Survey

SUMMARY:

- Survey available from July 20 – August 4, 2017
- 129 total responses received

1. PLAYGROUND: If the playground is upgraded or replaced, which of the following options would you support?

Upgrade the playground with colorful vinyl-wrapped wood: \$7,000 + approximately \$2,000 - \$3,000 for ground work.	15.87%	20
Replace the playground with a colorful, light commercial-grade play set: \$17,000 + approximately \$7,500 for ground work and installation.	11.90%	15
Replace the playground with a colorful, full commercial-grade play set: \$27,000 - \$35,000 + approximately \$12,000 for ground work and installation work.	5.56%	7
Make no changes to the playground; leave as is and continue to maintain and repair the existing structures as needed.	66.67%	84
TOTAL		126

2. PLAYGROUND: How would you support funding a playground upgrade or replacement?

Charging homeowners a one-time special assessment to pay for the cost.	3.15%	4
Increasing the annual dues to cover the costs over a multi-year period and paying for the new playground after the money has been raised.	6.30%	8
Spending up to the current total amount in our reserve fund (approximately \$52,000).	21.26%	27
Financing the upgrade and increasing the annual dues as needed to cover the loan payments.	3.15%	4
I would not support either a one-time special assessment or an increase in the annual dues to pay for an upgrade to the playground.	66.14%	84
TOTAL		127

3. TENNIS AND BASKETBALL COURT REPAIR: The tennis and basketball courts require occasional repair and upkeep. What option for repairing the tennis and basketball courts would you support?

Repair with the same surface material. There are only two companies we currently know of who do this work, and the last bid was \$3,000 - \$7,000 per court depending on repair, estimated to last about 3-5 years. This type of repair does not address structural issues.	38.26%	44
Strip the current surface material, seal the underlying asphalt, and paint new lines. We have not obtained quotes for this level of work yet but the maintenance costs in the future are believed to be lower.	29.57%	34
No opinion	32.17%	37
TOTAL		115

4. TENNIS AND BASKETBALL COURT REPAIR: Do you think we should do these repairs all at one time or over time and how would you support funding them?

All at once, funding them with a one-time special assessment to pay for the cost.	1.61%	2
All at once, within the limit of our current HOA budget.	12.10%	15
Over time, within the limit of our current HOA budget.	51.61%	64
Over time, with the costs spread over 10 years or the expected life of the repair, and adjusting assessments as needed.	8.06%	10
When needed, to the limit of our current HOA assessment amount our reserve funds (approximately \$52,000).	16.94%	21
When needed, leveraging our current assessment, reserves, and financing if necessary.	9.68%	12
TOTAL		124

5. TENNIS COURTS: What option would you prefer for the future of the tennis courts?

Keep the two tennis courts and continue to maintain them.	69.60%	87
Eliminate one tennis court and explore options for repurposing the space.	18.40%	23
Eliminate both tennis courts and explore options for repurposing the space.	12.00%	15
TOTAL		125

6. Would you like to see electricity brought to the common area at a cost of approximately \$8,000 plus annual usage charges?

Yes	8.53%	11
No	84.50%	109
No opinion	6.98%	9
TOTAL		129

7. What order of priority would you give to the following projects (with 1 being the highest priority)?

	1	2	3	4	5	TOTAL	SCORE
Playground replacement	56.82% 50	9.09% 8	19.32% 17	10.23% 9	4.55% 4	88	4.03
Basketball court repair	28.13% 27	46.88% 45	20.83% 20	4.17% 4	0.00% 0	96	3.99
Tennis court repair/repurpose	13.27% 13	36.73% 36	41.84% 41	7.14% 7	1.02% 1	98	3.54
Electricity at the playground area	3.61% 3	6.02% 5	2.41% 2	51.81% 43	36.14% 30	83	1.89
Other	27.27% 9	3.03% 1	12.12% 4	27.27% 9	30.30% 10	33	2.70

8. If you answered “Other” above, what project(s) or other idea(s) would you like the HOA to consider for the common areas?

- A pool.
- Additional seating, picnic tables, benches, etc. Lights on tennis courts.
- Beautify the pond area with forsythia bushes and other plants. It is still not like it used to be.
- Could the HOA put a wall or board up on one side off the court so you can play against it. this might encourage more use.
- Do not support electricity at rec area
- Don't like the word replacement with reference to the playground. Other options were listed.
- Electricity at the playground is a waste, if power is necessary at the playground there are other less costly options than permanent service. Permanent service is a costly option for a handful of events each year, it's a bad idea to even consider.
- Geese removal (and their poop off of the sidewalks)
- Grass badminton courts or grass volleyball courts. Create a vegetable garden and have teens use community hours to maintain and sell the produce. Horse shoe pit. Tether ball.
- I do not feel that any of the items above are a high priority. We should maintain all items above within the set budget and spend as little as possible.

- I don't want playground "replacement" and adding electricity to the playground is beyond ridiculous. For the cost of the proposed electrical service, we could buy a generator each year to use for the 4th, etc and treat it as a "disposable " and still end up ahead compared to adding electric service. Maintain what we have. Do not add more.
- I think it is fine as it is
- I will shovel up the goose poo several times during the summer if the people closest to the pond will hose it off after I do. Doing something beats sitting around complaining.
- Is there an option to launch kayaks or other small boats in the pond? The increased pond traffic might deter the geese and would create an alternate recreational space.
- Keep what we have and upkeep what is there
- Landscaping
- Leave as is
- Maintain the plants and clean up from time to time. Tennis courts and lot full of pine needles. Clean up may extend the surface life.
- Maybe add another piece of playground equipment and keep the existing items. Custom lights and signs professionally landscaped for the community entrances like Quail Meadows has.
- Need a committee to study other options as I don't believe any of the other four projects listed constitute a priority.
- new gazebo at the pond.
- No opinion
- No opinion
- NO PLAYGROUND POWER!!
- None of the items in #7
- Nothing that would increase any of our fees or dues. Status quo is fine! Just use the area to host potlucks or adult happy hours :)
- Pavilion at Rec area, small playset by the pond, soccer/lacrosse nets, etc.
- Picnic area
- plant it
- Playground upgrade Not replacement
- Playground repair
- Since there is no place to add remarks to the electricity question above, I will state it here - HELL NO! to the electric there. We put lights up and then all kinds of people from outside the neighborhood come in there at all hours to play hoops or just hang out in the playground. Bad idea. Really bad idea.
- This question is difficult to answer without knowing the expected lifespan of the assets listed above. The HOA should continue to maintain the existing areas and do the repairs/upgrades according to the maintenance schedule that has worked in the past.
- Why are there no questions regarding the pond upkeep? There have been obvious concerns about upkeep of what is there. Perhaps there are too many things to take care of at the pond and maybe it's time to scale back. There has NEVER been a time when all of the picnic tables around the pond have been in use at the same time. Do we actually need all of them? They are becoming worn and need repair. How much would it cost to remove 2 or 3 of them? It would be beneficial to look at maintaining only what we need and actually use in all of the common areas.

9. EVENTS: Events like the 4th of July require a great deal of commitment from the organizing individual(s). Which of the following would you most likely support?

Establish a committee to get volunteers and run events for the community; if there aren't enough volunteers for an event, don't have it	43.75%	56
Seek volunteers to run each event, and if there aren't enough, don't have it	45.31%	58
Seek volunteers to run each event, and if there aren't enough, hire an event planner (essentially doubling the expected cost)	0.00%	0
Don't schedule or sponsor any events, that is not the purpose of the HOA	10.16%	13
Other	0.78%	1
TOTAL		128

10. EVENTS: Which of the following events or activities would you support?

July 4 event – parade, food, fun	61.86%	73
Easter egg hunt	54.24%	64
End of summer barbecue	40.68%	48
Family movie night (movie/firepit/smores)	38.14%	45
Fall festival (i.e., pumpkin decorating contest, costumes, cider, etc.)	36.44%	43
Monthly summer Friday happy hours (BYOB), DJ and food provided	27.12%	32
None of the above, these are not an appropriate way to spend HOA money	24.58%	29
Chili cook-off	21.19%	25
Monthly pickup basketball	18.64%	22
Kids' play dates	17.80%	21
Tennis instruction and matches	16.95%	20
Winter fun day (sledding, hot chocolate, etc.)	16.95%	20
Total Respondents:		118

11. SERVICES: This year, the HOA sponsored two yard sales, one in the spring, and one in the fall. For these two sales, the HOA puts up signs at Ridge Road and Blacksmith, Ridge Road and Cable Drive, and Cable Drive and Melstone Valley Road (cost is approximately \$200) and posts notices on Facebook. Which yard sale option would you prefer?

Just the spring yard sale	42.54%	41
Just the fall yard sale	3.17%	3
Both the spring and fall yard sales	42.86%	54
Neither	21.43%	27
TOTAL		126

12. SERVICES: There are two bulk trash pickups scheduled this year after the yard sales (not including the winter tree pickup). There is an additional fee charged by the trash company for these pickups. Which option would you prefer?

Just the spring bulk pickup	17.46%	22
Just the fall bulk pickup	9.52%	12
Both bulk pickups	63.49%	80
Neither	9.52%	12
TOTAL		126

13. VOLUNTEER: Would you be willing to volunteer for a role with the HOA?

Officer or board member	15.00%	6
Street representative	35.00%	14
Serve on an HOA committee	30.00%	12
Help with planning and organizing neighborhood activities and events	40.00%	16
Pond/garden area maintenance and upkeep	20.00%	8
Web site and newsletter	5.00%	2
Other	22.50%	9
Total Respondents:		40

Comments:

1. **PLAYGROUND: If the playground is upgraded or replaced, which of the following options would you support?**

- A ridiculous amount of money.
- Add dog waste stations and trash cans ,I am sick of finding dog waste next to picnic table and surrounding areas!
- Based upon the number of homes that make up Harvest Farms and the playground usage that I observe on a daily basis, I see no need to make any changes to the playground. The current area is perfect for children.
- Do not vinyl wrap the existing play ground! That has bad idea jeans all over it. Eventually for liability reasons you'll HAVE to replace the play ground, or it could be considered negligence.
- Even though it may need some repairs, the playground seems to be pretty sturdy.
- For many years, most homeowners with young children built nice playsets in their back yards.
- Hard to justify as we do not use the playground (and never did even when had younger children)
- I am not sure a colorful playground would match the natural environment of the area.
- I do not want to see a plastic or vinyl playground in the neighborhood
- I don't care about the playground
- I never see much activity at the playground when we pass. I suggest we maintain and repair and maybe add one or two things Most of the people with kids have their own swings or playgrounds in their own back yards
- I would like to see things stay the way they are.....things have been just fine...and I have lived here 22 years.
- I would like us to explore having the neighborhood build the playground -
<https://www.playlsi.com/en/playground-planning-tools/plan-your-playground/community-playground-build/>
- I would not want to see a vinyl or commercial playground in our neighborhood. The current wood set fits in perfectly with our landscaping and surroundings. I would support minor upgrades and low-cost additions as needed.
- I wouldn't mind to see an upgraded playground but my opinion may change based on how much \$7,000 - \$10,000 gets us in terms of an upgrade (i.e. same set up?)
- If it is not broke, why spend money to fix it???
- If repairs are needed we should budget now so those opposed to upkeep are less shocked by the cost
- Maintain only. We don't need a fancy playground when they are available at nearby parks and schools. I raised 3 children in this neighborhood and we did not miss a fancy playground.
- Need more information and a visual to make an informed choice
- Our playground is satisfactory as is. Well maintained and a delight to our grandson.
- The playground is appropriate for the size of the neighborhood. A large commercial grade/plastic structure is more appropriate at at school or park, and funded by and maintained by the county
- There are 2 of really nice playgrounds near by.(Freedom Park & Sykesville) Don't see the need to have a commercial grade playset.
- There are a lot of new homeowners with young children. At this point the playground, minus the swings, is of little use to kids. It is has been burned multiple times and the most boring playground as it has one way up leading to one slide. How boring for young children. We need something fun and new to keep our families playing in the neighborhood and to bring more appeal to our neighborhood as a place to buy houses. Lets be honest, the original home owners are leaving (or a have grand kids to come over and play) and young families are moving in. We should support them.
- There are so many other nearby playgrounds , Freedom park , Carrolltowne elementary , etc.
- upgrade as needed with current maint.

- upgrading the current playground is inevitable so a non wood playground is a good option. for those of us that no longer have little kids, it would be nice to see features that the elementary school kids could use as well.
- Upgrading with colorful vinyl wrap or adding a new commercial playground will attract people to play on the playground who do not live in this neighborhood. We don't need that.
- We do not need a new playground!
- We don't need commercial structures. What we have is a "Tot Lot". Enough to entertain little ones for a little while. With bigger structures you have an increase in liability, higher costs to maintain, and higher risk for vandalism. I put in the second playground at Carrolltown ES and am familiar with what is involved. Those that want more can head there to play.
- We don't personally use the playground but would agree if there is a need to improve the most cost effective ways should be employed. Is the playground used much?
- What I would like to know first is how many children are there in the neighborhood to justify such changes? This is an example of why we should NOT change the quorum requirements down to 15%. If the 15% of people with children swamped a meeting they could vote themselves all sorts of things and make the rest of us pay for it.
- What would be the life expectancy for each option? And yearly cost to maintain? What would be the impact to insurance if any?
- Why not ask the residents to help with the demolition of the playground, a chainsaw is cheap and does easy work. Also why continue to spend money on equipment that will just wear out? Go big or go home, spend the extra money now so you don't have to in the future.
- Would be interested to know what the costs are to maintain and repair the existing structures.

2. PLAYGROUND: How would you support funding a playground upgrade or replacement?

- Ask those homeowners interested in using a new play ground to contribute to the cost.
- Hard to answer without knowing what the one time fee would be.
- I do not support this upgrade. If there is any charge to be made, a direct charge should be assessed on those families with children.
- I should not have to pay for the playground bc I don't have a need for it
- I think it is only fair to increase the dues so that home owners moving out do not get stuck with paying the entire cost of the new equipment and that cost is shared with those new homers who are enjoying the upgrades. Since I cannot comment below, I would like to add that putting in electricity would only serve to attract "unwanted older" visitors to our neighborhood. We have already experienced some minor issues with stolen tires, etc. THANK YOU!
- I would consider a special assessment + spending a portion of the reserve fund to offset the cost. I have kids that love to play, run, climb and swing -- Not sure how the residents who don't have kids feel about the playground. how much does the playground actually get used?
- I would prefer to use some of our reserve fund to cover the cost of a new playground.
- I'm cool with a one time fee, financing over time through an increase too
- No increase in dues.
- None of the above. Identify usage, and go from there.
- Residents are not in favor of an "upgraded" playground as the current board is trying to sell them on. The current level of amenities, possibly a small addition or revision is plenty. Creating a play area nicer than the surrounding areas creates an area where those residents will be overwhelming our peaceful neighborhood.
- Second choice: option 4
- See comment for #1.
- Spend part of the reserve, budget for the remainder and replace the playground when funding is available .. 2-3 years.. etc

- spend some of the money we currently have + financing some of the upgrade and increases the dues a little to compensate
- Unless it is the money spent on maintaining repairs on the existing playground. Playground is not in need of replacing at this time.
- We do not need a new playground!
- We would be open to using the reserve fund for the \$9-\$10K upgrade!

3. TENNIS AND BASKETBALL COURT REPAIR: What option for repairing the tennis and basketball courts would you support?

- \$3-7K seems like a lot for filling in cracks. Does it really need to be painted surfaces? The other part is that if they are made to be too nice, then we end up attracting groups from out of the neighborhood.
- Again, I can't answer without knowing the cost of the first suggestion.
- Can't vote for the first one without knowing how long it will last, or what the cost to do the work or maintain it will be.
- Courts are in pretty good shape... continue the status quo of repair every 3-5 years. Asphalt will also require repairs on a similar timeline unless the entire base is replaced which is cost prohibitive.
- Does anyone play tennis on the tennis court?
- Hard to day without quote of send option
- how much use do these amenities get? if the investment is made to fix it correctly, there is still a level of continued maintenance that is required.
- I am not sure of this answer, not all the information is there.
- I would do the minor repairs to make the courts playable. Again there is not much activity and it seems as though the people from outside the community are using it the most
- I would like to know the cost of option two before deciding.
- I would like to know the cost of stripping the current surface before I give my opinion.
- I would like to see a quote for option 1 before deciding.
- I would like to see the stripping surface cost first before a final decision
- I'd like to see the cost of stripping the current surface before giving a final opinion. But may lean towards that option over the band-aid approach.
- In the basket ball court that is settling on he corner have it looked at to repair.
- Keep it cheap. If folks want better there are better ones offered in the area. Head to the High School.
- Need more information on costs and longevity of both options
- Need more information on the current state of the courts, and costs for the first option
- Never or hardly see anyone playing tennis there
- Not really enough information to make a decision.
- Once cost is quoted on first option I would then vote
- Possibly forgo painting and just have the surfaces power washed.
- Really need more information on option 1 in terms of cost. I would prefer that we find a low cost solution..
- Repair it in the same way it has been repaired over the last 25+ years No financing ever!!(for the next question below)
- They look OK as is. I see people playing on them and don't see them having any problems.
- We should continue doing the same periodic maintenance and repairs that we have in the past. The courts have always looked nice so there's obviously nothing wrong with what we have been doing.
- You have left out a viable option: leave the tennis and basketball courts as they are. I play on the basketball court more regularly than most homeowners, and I have no problem with the condition.
- You should get back to us on this after you receive quotes on the first option.

5. TENNIS COURTS: What option would you prefer for the future of the tennis courts?

- Again, does anyone use the courts to play tennis?
- An area to show movies for Harvest Farm community residents. Many areas such as Little Italy in Baltimore do this and it's very popular. I also have a concern that the courts are being used by people that do not live in the community as many cars park on the parking pad.
- Could the HOA put a wall or board up on one side off the court so you can play against it. this might encourage more use.
- Depending upon hours of use, either turn 1 or both into simple open green space.
- Eliminating the tennis courts will incur costs as well, that's not free. Also, the tennis courts have been here and have been a part of the common area for as long as this development has been here. And should continue to be here and be maintained. There has never been a plan to remove them since we have lived here for 23 years. What is here should continue to be here and be maintained.
- grass
- Green space to play (grass).
- Green space would be fine. I don't see the tennis courts getting much use.
- I have both seen neighbors using the tennis courts and I use them so I would not advocate eliminating them.
- I have lived here for 19 years and I haven't seen more than 10 people on the courts, and I'm sure they were from our neighborhood! You should set the courts up as pay-to-play.
- I honestly don't know.... Would this involve reducing the amount of fencing? Or would there be a blank space or something different with the current fence?
- I want want to keep them and do maintain them, as long as it isn't a huge cost to repair I think it would cost more to get rid of them, so just keep them
- If we eliminate one or both tennis courts, what would you recommend for the area?
- Is it used more than 5 times a year? The only time I see it used is for aux parking space. See question 6. People near bye aren't going to want the bright lights in their windows at night. not to mention the cost.
- Maybe more shades picnic benches or a nice sitting area with a low maintenance wildflower garden
- Maybe volleyball nets..
- No opinion
- Picnic area. Maybe with a fire pit. Who ever uses it supplies their own wood
- Please DO NOT get rid of either one of the tennis courts. This is one of the family areas that can be used by everyone (adults and kids).
- Sand Volleyball court
- Some type of pavilion that everyone could use for parties and we could use for HOA meetings/gatherings. This would be great for July 4th gathering.
- This option should have been given for the basketball space.
- This question does not provide the data needed. How often are the tennis courts used? Over the 20+ years I have been in the neighborhood I have never seen anyone use the courts, much less both at one time. If they are a burden to maintain, and removing them is not expensive, pull them out and replace with grass.
- Volleyball, shooting net(s) for soccer and/or lacrosse
- Why not look into a pool? Charge an added fee for use each year, public pools in the area are rare and have waiting lists years back. This would up the value and demand for the houses in our neighborhood making it a very exclusive HOA.
- Why would we spend money to eliminate an amenity? What does the board have in mind for this space since they seem to be pushing the "eliminate one or both tennis court" options?
- why would you remove a resource that is already there and used a lot?
- you are crazy if you think we should eliminate a court.

9. EVENTS: Which event organizing option would you most likely support?

- As long as I have been in this community, everyone ends up volunteering for events, even if it is at the last moment. We would like to continue to have these community events.
- Assess the engagement and participation level of each event first of all. Events that aren't attended or supported by volunteers could be eliminated.
- DO NOT hire an event planner. This is a waste of our money!
- Has anyone ever suggested a "HarvestFarms" sign , such as quail meadow, maybe not that elaborate Also most of these events are geared towards children , there are plenty of playgrounds nearby. I don't think it is wise use of our dues , yes I am an older person with adult kids. I think the money should be used for the greater good of ALL our residences not just young families b. U.K. Maybe lower the dues if there is excess monies, that would benefit all And the tennis courts seemed to be mostly used by people that do not live here.
- Hiring an event planner is as absurd as your electricity question. Either people need to want to participate and help or they don't and we don't need to provide them activities they don't want.
- Hiring an event planner should not even be an option!
- I always felt like no one wants to be in charge. A committee spreads the work so many people can be involved.
- I don't believe the purpose of the HOA is to provide entertainment to special sub-groups. However, I do support allowing volunteers to run events, as long as the charge to the HOA is minimal.
- Keep 4th of July as top priority. It is a long standing tradition. My children who loved it are now bringing my grandchildren to it!
- Lauren did an awesome job with the 4th of July event. It's a pain to get volunteer's but this neighborhood always seems to come through to make it happen. I prefer to stay the course and trust that our neighbors will show up to help.
- Please do not employ event planners. There are people in this neighborhood that have difficulty paying the HOA dues. They are trying to raise their families. Hiring an event planner would be a truly frivolous and unnecessary expense.
- Since my daughter and her friend started this event over 20 years ago when they were 9 years old by sending flyers and getting their friends to decorate for a parade, I find this question ridiculous. If volunteers can't handle, then cancel!
- these events are what make our neighborhood special. I am thankful for those that step forward to volunteer - I hope to help out more in the future.
- Very nice event and well done but not smomething to needed to hire someone or spend a great deal of monies on . Taking care of the open areas , enforcing covenants should be first focus of HOA.
- We shouldn't even be considering spending our money on an event planner. If there isn't enough volunteer interest to run an event, it should not be held!
- While the idea of events is nice, I don't feel that my HOA dues should go to these. If people of the community want these events, they can kick in their own money to have them on the common grounds
- would not support hiring anyone to support HOA activities. Funds should be used for existing priorities.

10. EVENTS: Which of the following events or activities would you support?

- Once a year event, in the summer, doesn't have to be July 4th.
- Again, we have the common areas that any group of homeowners should be able to use. However HOA money should not be spent to sponsor these events
- Concerts/live music
- Don't like the phrase "these are not appropriate..." Some folks are not inclined to do HOA activities, but don't consider them inappropriate.

- Families today are so over-scheduled with school, sports, scouts, and outside activities- don't need these HOA activities!
- Happy hours can all be BYOB as well as bring something to share. HOA money doesn't have to be spent on events
- Holiday/Christmas event, food and DJ
- I don't attend these events but support the idea of community building and celebrating. I would like the HOA to contribute to the events but also charge participants a small fee i.e. Easter Egg Hunt \$5 a family to help offset costs.
- I have teenagers so it would be nice to see events for teens as well as young children. I fell in love with this community because of the HOA and the events.
- I love these ideas and though they may not be in the scope of an HOA's responsibilities, I believe these are the type of activities that brings our neighborhood together. I love it.
- I support monthly happy hour during warm months (held outdoors), BYOB, but NO expenditures for dj or food. Make it pot luck.
- It would be a bonus to get more involved people. In the long run if you can get a project or event the involves as many people as possible it will boost involvement in all of the items above.
- Leave current events
- Most of these events (w/the exception of july 4th) require limited HOA funds. Not sure why this board seems to want to spend money.
- The HOA is not responsible for the social life of the neighborhood and should limit its involvement (and the expense) to a few larger events throughout the year.
- The HOA should not be paying for monthly happy hour food and dj. The 4th and egg hunt are very popular and attended. The neighborhood has had other events in the past and the cost vs participation wasn't worth it
- We're fine with the HOA organizing events, but should not be funding them.
- Wine or Beer tasting

11. SERVICES: Yard sales

- \$200 seems excessive for this effort. I was able to produce a comparable number of staked signs/posters for a similar effort for \$110- Produce sign and place the date on a separate strip at the bottom of the sign so it is reusable for each event.
- 200 dollars for 3 signs, seems easy to waste other peoples money!
- can't the signs be generic and re-used each time?
- Does the \$200 cover both yard sales?
- Have participated every year. This was the last time. Not worth it
- I think you should advertise a rain date also
- It seems if homeowners want to do a community yard sale they should advertise using home-made signs. No HOA funds should be used to sponsor them
- Love the community yard sales.
- Need better participation
- No opinion. Any of the above are fine.
- Signage should be used year to year with only initial cost
- This is the first year that there is a fall yard sale. Have to wait and see how it goes.
- Three signs for \$200? You must be kidding. Get a volunteer to do them, reimburse for materials.
- two is too many
- What was the matter with just making signs with poster board and magic markers?
- Why does it cost \$200 to post signs on he side of the rode? Is there a town or county fee?
- Why does it cost \$200? If the wooden signs are used they just need to have the date painted over each year. Also facebook and craigslist and the Nextdoor website is free.

- Yard sales bring individuals through the neighborhood that could be looking for future criminal opportunities.

12. SERVICES: Bulk trash pickups

- Another great service.
- Bulk trash can be taken to the landfill. Everyone gets two "tickets" for the landfill with their property tax bill
- Can we charge residents for the 2nd one if they want it... case by case..
- Everyone offloads their stuff after the winter to get it out of the house. Also how about an assessment from the trash company to see how many tons are removed each time?
- Fall or spring, just once a year
- Have never used this service
- I don't know the rules for bulk trash pick-up and if residents can schedule their own pick-up. If that is not possible than I would support the 2 bulk trash pick-ups.
- It's not that hard to take your trash to the dump!
- Maybe instead of a bulk pick up use a dumpster to allow homeowners to clean up and clear out . Dropping multiple ones in the neighborhood for a week.
- This helps beautify the neighborhood overall and aligns with needs for all neighbors
- What is the amount of the fee charged?