

Hello, neighbors.

Just a reminder, we are residents of the city of Herculaneum. There continues to be confusion about that because Stonewater is in the Pevely ZIP code. So residents are obliged to follow Herculaneum city codes.

We are also all members of the Stonewater Homeowners Association. The only exceptions are properties built before November 2011. As Stonewater residents we are obliged to follow the HOA indentures, a copy of which can be downloaded from StonewaterPevely.org. Use this link to download them as a .PDF: http://www.stonewaterpevely.org/files/document/529251643

ARTICLE VI

ARCHITECTURAL CONTROL

Section 1. New Improvements. No residence, garage, shed, or other building, fence, wall, mailbox, newspaper box, light post, entrance monument, pavement, or other improvement (excluding landscaping) shall be erected or placed upon any Lot without prior written approval of a majority of the Board of Managers. For purpose of this Section, the Developer, its agents and contractors are approved contractors and Plans and Specifications for any work to be performed by Developer, its agents and contractors, are deemed approved.

Our obligation to follow Stonewater regulations comes from a contract we signed when closing on our homes. HOA members need permits for construction of decks, fences, sheds, pools and other structures.

Follow these steps before work begins:

- One, get a permit from Herculaneum. Find it here: http://cityofherculaneum.org/Permits.html
- Two, get a permit from HOA trustees. Link to this .PDF: http://www.stonewaterpevely.org/files/document/529269830

The City of Herculaneum Building Department reminds all residents that most building and remodeling projects require permits. All projects involving framing, plumbing and electrical are required to be permitted. Projects including decks, swimming pools (2 feet or more in depth), hot tubs, retaining walls, fences, driveways, accessory structures (garages, carports, portable storage buildings), finished basements all require permits. Permits are also required for demolition of structures.

Herculaneum's building inspector will check work in progress and again once work is finished.

An HOA permit doesn't require inspections.

HOA regulations prohibit chain link fences. There are consequences for failure to follow city and HOA regulations on structure installations.

Regulations also prohibit riding saddle-style all-terrain vehicles on Stonewater streets, and all motor vehicles on Stonewater common ground. Side-by-side utility vehicles are permitted if owners follow Herculaneum regulations as follows.

Section 340.245 Special Permits for All-Terrain Vehicles.

[Ord. No. 03-2009 §3, 1-12-2009]

Special permits for all-terrain vehicle operation shall be issued only to licensed drivers for special uses on the streets within the City limits. A fee of fifteen dollars (\$15.00) shall be collected and retained by the City for such permit.

Overdue

About 50 Stonewater residents have not paid their obligated \$350 annual assessment that was due beginning Jan. 1 and no later than April 1. Interest is now being charged to all late accounts. Delinquent homeowners are being informed by mail. If you have not paid your dues, contact Ernst Management, 314-221-4380.

Total payments overdue, including unpaid subdivision fees, liens, bankruptcies and judgments, were more than \$20,000, according to May's financial report.

HOA dues pay grass cutting in common areas, plowing and salting of streets when needed, upkeep on the retention pond on Rolling Stone and street lighting.

Common ground includes plots adjacent to Stonewater streets and sections along Festus-Horine Road.

Stray dogs

Now that things appear to have settled down with Chief, the dog roaming from Dogwood Lane, other stray dogs are being reported in Stonewater. Trustees have

made inquiries with Herculaneum and Jefferson County about animal control, but no easy solution is at hand.

Jefferson County will not respond to animal control problems in Herculaneum, including Stonewater. County animal control also will not accept stray animals taken to its pound. It suggests contacting the Humane Society of St. Louis County, <u>314-951-1588</u>.

Both organizations have limited availability to accept strays and recommend calling before bringing animals to their facilities.



Stray animals can be dangerous, and even animals known to residents should be approached with caution. For suggestions on how to handle strays, visit: https://www.petplace.com/article/dogs/pet-care/dog-care/what-you-should-know-about-approaching-a-stray-dog/

Last word

School is out, so it is crucial for all motorists to drive safely on Stonewater streets. The posted speed limit is 20 mph. Please observe stop signs and go counterclockwise (or keep right) on roundabouts.

Please remind children to observe street safety rules, including at stop signs and intersections. Riding bikes is fun, but safety is paramount.





Stonewater will have another Independence Day celebration, with food and drink available. This year's fireworks blowout will be July 1 on the common ground on Living Water Court. Once again, safety is foremost. Living Water will be closed that evening at the junctions with Waters Edge Way. For more information, contact Billy Carroll via Facebook.

Editor's note: An earlier version of this newsletter had an incorrect date for the fireworks event.