

Newsletter of the Deer Run Community Organization



# Deer Run Community News

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## Attend A Board Meeting

Board meetings are open to all  
DRCO members. Contact us for  
the dates and locations of  
upcoming meetings at  
[deer.run.co@gmail.com](mailto:deer.run.co@gmail.com)

**The next board meeting is  
November 18 at 1:30pm at the  
Poulsbo Library.**

## Dear DRCO Members:

The next HOA board meeting will be held on Thursday, November 18, 2021 at 1:30pm. We will meet at the Poulsbo Library, where we have reserved one of their meeting rooms. [Please R.S.V.P if you plan to attend this meeting by sending an email to deer.run.co@gmail.com.](mailto:deer.run.co@gmail.com)

**WOULD YOU LIKE TO ATTEND AN HOA MEETING BUT ARE UNABLE DUE TO YOUR WORK OR FAMILY SCHEDULE?** Email the board at [deer.run.co@gmail.com](mailto:deer.run.co@gmail.com) and let us know which times/days for future meetings would work best for you. We look forward to hearing your input.

**BE ACTIVE  
IN YOUR COMMUNITY**



## **6 Reasons To Attend A Deer Run Community Board Meeting**

**You and the community benefit when you attend a board meeting to share your opinions, or consider volunteering for a term on the board. Here are just a few reasons to attend:**

**1. You have a financial interest in your property.** One of the top priorities of every homeowner is to protect the value of his or her home. Voicing your opinion at a board meeting or volunteering to serve on the board will put you in a better position to make and implement rules in your neighborhood. Some of these regulations will directly affect property value, especially if they require decisions about the association's budget, reserve fund and routine maintenance.

**2. Correct problems.** If you are noticing problems in Deer Run, such as lack of maintenance or safety issues, then you have the opportunity to take charge and help to correct those issues by being a part of the board.

**3. Meet more of your expectations.** Did you have specific expectations when you purchased your home? Are those expectations being met? By coming to a meeting or serving on the HOA board, you can achieve your expectations of a more perfect community much sooner by working with other involved neighbors.

**4. Gain a better understanding of the by-laws.** Volunteering as a board member will make you well-versed in the HOA by-laws, rules and regulations. Even though our DRCO annual dues are small, it will also give you a good grasp of operating finances and budgeting for Deer Run.

**5. Give back to the community.** One way to give back to your neighbors and community is to serve on the board, which allows you the opportunity to make good decisions that will have a positive impact on all residents.

**6. Meet your neighbors.** An HOA meeting is the best place to meet your neighbors and to get to know more about them. It gives you a chance to socialize and make friends with others living in your community.

We hope to see you at the next board meeting later this month!

## Kudos to Homeowners Investing in Upgrades & Improvements



- Paint Palette
- CC&R's
- Application Forms

Home improvements and maintenance repairs can add significant value to your home and are one of the reasons Deer Run ranks among Poulso's top neighborhoods. Not all improvements occur inside the walls of your home. In fact, we've seen a record number of homeowners replacing worn shingle roofs, as well as installing new wood fences and repainting exteriors lately. Others have been upgrading decks, entry doors, sidings, lawns and other landscaping.

Remember to submit a Pre-Approval Form to the homeowners' association for approval before starting work on any of these types of projects **that will change the external appearance of the property**. To save you time, here are quick links to the most commonly requested items posted on our website at [www.DRCO.org](http://www.DRCO.org).

Click here to find:

**Covenants,  
Rules &  
Regulations**

Quick link to CC&Rs

Click here to find:

**Application  
Forms  
for Paint, Dwelling  
or Landscaping**

Quick link to Forms

Click here to find:

**Paint Color  
Palette**

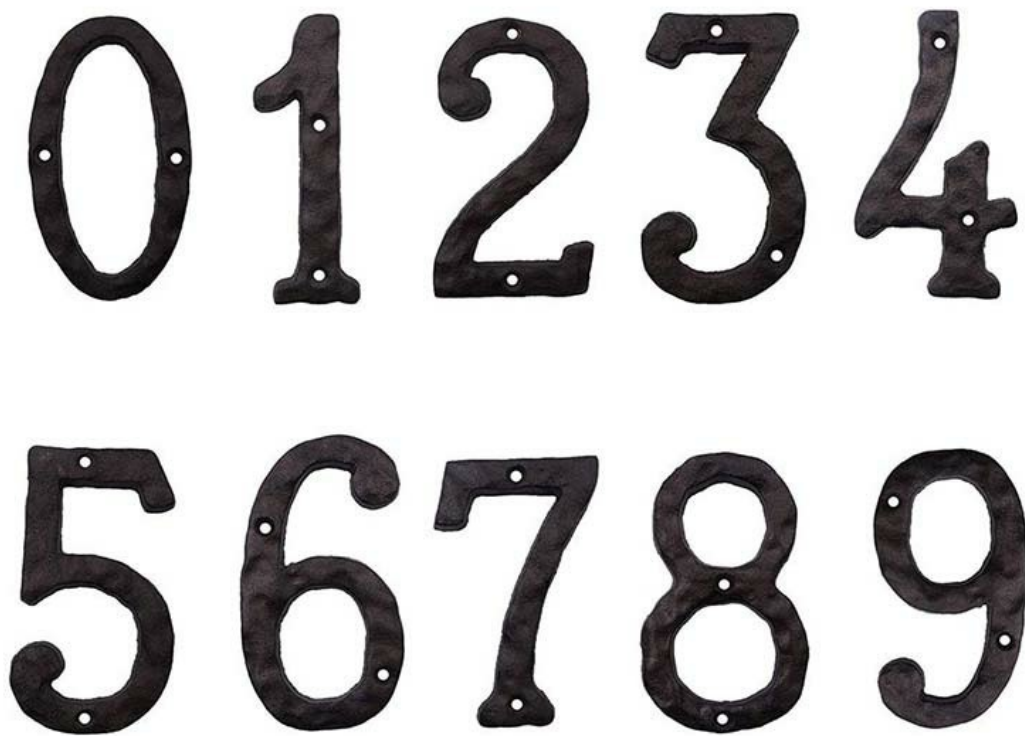
Quick link to Color  
Palette

# Recent CC&R Changes: Homeowner Signs and Procedures to Address CC&R Violations



At the last board meeting, changes were made to the CC&Rs regarding homeowner signs posted in public view, and procedures dealing with various homeowner violations. Both of these changes are outlined in detail in the minutes from the 9/15/21 meeting. Please stay informed about these rule modifications intended for the good of all neighbors. Details can be found here on the website: <http://www.drco.org/board-meeting-september-15-2021/>

## If You Need Help, Will Emergency Responders Be Able To Quickly Find Your Home?



**As a safety measure, please be aware of the City of Poulsbo's ordinance regarding house numbers.** The City code reads as follows, "New and existing buildings shall have approved address numbers, building numbers or approved building identification placed in a position that is plainly legible and visible from the street or road fronting the property. These numbers shall contrast with their background. Numbers shall be a minimum of six (6) inches high with a minimum stroke width of 0.5 inch."

## Know the ABC's of Recycling

The City of Poulsbo contracts with Bainbridge Disposal to provide recycling services to residents. There have been recent changes within the recycling industry that can make it confusing to know which items can go into your bi-weekly recycling container. Here is a list of what is allowed and not allowed. If you have questions, call Bainbridge Disposal at (206) 842-4882 or [check out their website](#) for the latest information on what goes where.



**What To Recycle.**  
Food and beverage containers **MUST** be rinsed out.

**What To NOT Recycle.**

- Pizza delivery boxes
- Food-soiled containers
- Plastic wrap, bags

- Mail, magazines, catalogues, mixed paper
- Paper boxes, cardboard
- Paper or frozen food boxes
- Plastic bottles
- Milk cartons
- Phone books
- Metal cans
- Aluminum cans
- Newspaper, inserts
- Plastic dairy tubs (no lids!)
- Glass bottles & jars
- Juice boxes (without foil liners)

- Styrofoam peanuts
- Plastic take-out containers
- Plastic cups
- Plastic plant pots
- Metal hangers
- Aerosol cans
- Foil
- Toxic containers (most cleaning products)
- Ceramics
- Drinking glasses
- Light bulbs
- Window glass
- Batteries
- Chip bags
- Frozen food bags
- Pill bottles

## Taking It To The Streets

We applaud the hardworking city crews and contractors who spent three days seal coating all the streets in Deer Run in September 2021 as part of Poulsbo's roadway improvement project designed to extend the lifespan of our roads. The construction project had a few minor delays but the enhanced results to our neighborhood streets was worth it in the end.

**Before**



**After**



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