

**Current Events:**• **New trash service**

With the effect on businesses due to Covid-19, Waste Management gave notice that they were going to change the terms of our contract and cut back recycling to once every 2 weeks with a larger 95-gallon recycling can vs the existing 65 gallon can (reduction of service overall) and a enforce a price increase. This allows the contract to be broken with no penalties. The board went out to bid and found service with Gardner. They retain 65-gallon Trash and recycling every **Friday** starting in January. Timeline for transition

- Saturday 19<sup>th</sup> Dec. New Cans from Gardner delivered.
- Tuesday 29<sup>th</sup> Dec. Last Waste Management pickup. They will also take the cans, so please have both out.
- Saturday 2<sup>nd</sup> Jan. First Gardner pickup (Friday is a Holiday).
- Fridays. Trash & Recycling pickup from Gardner. Please have cans out by 7 am.

We retain paper bag leaf and lawn waste / bundled twig pickup – 6 bags per week March – November. We will also have a large item pickup.

- Pricing does increase to \$17 / month per household, or \$204 annually. BUT.....this is a **fixed price for 5 years**, no annual escalators like our previous contracts.
- HOA dues are also fixed at \$320 per year.
- Therefore, total cost for HOA and trash service will be \$524 for the next 5 years when the trash contract comes up.

• **Social Committee**

Even with Covid-19 we have had a great year. Car parade / 3 k fun run / Fall bonfire and concert / Santa parade to name but a few. Thanks to all who helped organize these events and help keep spirits up during this trying period.

Have a great holiday season and let's look forward to a healthier 2021 and return to some sort of normality.

**NEWS and reminders from the BOARD:**

• **Pedestrians** – With the ongoing Covid-10 pandemic many more people have been out walking on the streets – Please keep an eye out for traffic. At night, please wear light colored or reflective clothing / carry flashlights so drivers can see you.

Drivers – Please slow down and give walkers / cyclists a wide berth.

• **Burning** – We are fortunate enough to live in Johnson county where brush burning is allowed. However, please be courteous and follow the rules.

1. Permits are required and can be obtained from the Johnson County Fire District #2 station #81 at 19120 Metcalf.
2. Only burn from sun-up to sun-down.
3. Fires must be attended at all times.
4. Water source must be available.
5. Only burn in wind less than 15 mph.
6. Do not burn if there is dense cloud cover as smoke cannot dissipate.
7. If a fire is not extinguished or left unattended / causing excessive smoke, the Fire Dept recommend calling 911. First time out they will go over the rules, second time a fine may be issued.

**Blue Valley Riding Homes Association Board:**

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<http://www.ha-kc.org/index.php/bvriding-home>

**BVRHA BOARD MEETINGS** are open to all residents. All residents are welcomed and encouraged to participate. Meetings are held generally during the **Second Week of each month**. Please contact the secretary prior to a meeting for location and time. Board meeting minutes are available to members and kept on file with the secretary.

If you have information you would like to include in the newsletter, please contact Andy Edwards.  
Members of BVR may post a business card size advertisement in the newsletter for \$15 (room permitting)