



The Plainview News

Spring/Summer 2020

Plainview, a neighborhood where we take pride in our community. Every resident plays a vital role in making our community a great place to live.



LETTER FROM PRESIDENT NORM MEYER

Greetings! Our apologies for this late SPRING NEWSLETTER. Due to numerous wrinkles with the COVID-19 pandemic, it may end up being an EARLY SUMMER NEWSLETTER.

COVID-19 caused a variety of challenges to our Plainview residents, but also brought benefits. I actually believe the air was fresher and the birds sang louder this spring. When the world around us seemed to come to a halt, Plainview actually became more alive.

For the first time to some of our recollections, we could observe numerous residents, and many of our friends and neighbors in the subdivision, out walking around, taking moments to chat... and maybe even getting to know each other. One couple, strangers to me before, even took a moment, when I was in my yard working, to comment that they felt privileged to be able to stroll in such a nice neighborhood. Others shared how they volunteered and/or donated. All of this is awesome and something we can all appreciate. Neighborhoods like Plainview make wholesome communities.

I covered this in my last letter, but I think it deserves another time at bat: Comments are received from outsiders and residents on "how well Plainview has aged". Plainview was incorporated in 1972, that's almost 50 years ago! After Plainview was incorporated, the developer established the Plainview Resident's Association (PRA) along with "By Laws" as to how the organization, the PRA, would be run. Every property owner in Plainview is a member of the PRA. The developer also established Deed Restrictions and legally empowered the PRA to enforce these deed restrictions. Over the years, the many, all unpaid volunteer Boards, have done a pretty good job of enforcing these restrictions. That is one big reason we can, 48 years later, enjoy this very pleasing environment surrounding our homes. Many hours of personal time are donated for this common good of enforcing these Deed Restrictions as consistently as possible.

I want to note a milestone of additional PRA progress, that of transitioning the PRA accounting system to QUICKBOOKS. The Board; Madonna Burke, the PRA Administrator; and Ron Kuster, the PRA Financial Coordinator have worked hard and diligently at

this frequently difficult task. This not only impacts dues collection and budget execution, but our address and mailing system as well. Some of us have been frustrated by a glitch or two from this transition. Please bear with us, "this too will pass", and the bottom line will be worth it. Every resident can help make this transition less burdensome by paying their yearly dues on time.

This last week, witnessing the discord, unrest, protests and even violence, we should be proud of and thankful for our Plainview subdivision and our Jeffersontown community with so many awesome public servants (and in my thinking, that includes the PRA Board of Directors and the PRA Administrator) who give of their time and talents serving their community to make it a welcome, safe and healthy place to live.

Hope you are safe and healthy, and Best Wishes for the summer,
Norm Meyer, President
Plainview Board of Directors

BOARD OF DIRECTORS 2020 ELECTION RESULTS



Norm Meyer - President
Barbara Ritchie - Vice-President
Tom Bell - Secretary-Treasurer
Bob Auslander - Director
Dora McKnight - Director

The Plainview Residents' Association Board of Directors meets every other month at the Tway House located at the Jeffersontown Plainview Swim and Tennis Center. Meetings are held the 2nd Wednesday of the month at 6:00 P.M.

All residents are invited to the meetings. Listed below are the remaining meeting dates for 2020.



July 8, 2020
September 9, 2020
November 11, 2020

Architectural Exterior Alterations or Improvements and/or Fence Additions or Replacements

As we should be aware, because of the Plainview Subdivision Deed Restrictions, **if Plainview residents want to make exterior architectural alterations or improvements, (landscaping does not require approval) they must request approval from the Board.** The same applies to residents wishing to replace or install a new fence.

In the past, the approval process was not standardized and the Board handled requests as they arose. With Boards changing every year, the approval procedure was not always consistent. As Plainview has matured and homes have changed ownership, the Board is receiving many more approval requests. Therefore, the current Board has formalized a "protocol" or approval process for residents and the Board to use for Architectural Alterations and Improvements, and a more abbreviated "protocol" for Fence Replacement and Installation requests. The following is the approval process the Board will follow in the future:

APPROVAL PROCESS

1. Homeowner informs PRA Administrator of desire to make Architectural Exterior Alterations or Improvements or Install or Replace a Fence and needs approval.
2. PRA Administrator informs resident she will forward an application form that explains the requirements for Board approval. Administrator e-mails form to resident.
3. Upon receipt of plans and completed approval form from homeowner, PRA Administrator will e-mail approval request form and plans to Board Members.
4. PRA Administrator will coordinate a site visit by Board Members.
5. Board members conducting site visit will e-mail a report of that visit to all Board Members.
6. Upon a majority vote of approval by Board Members, PRA Administrator will send a letter of approval to the homeowner. If request is not approved by Board, PRA Administrator will inform resident of deficiencies in their request and need to possibly re-file.

We hope this process is helpful and easy to understand.

WELCOME PACKET

If you are new to the Plainview Neighborhood, welcome to your new home! If you have not received a "Welcome Packet", which contains a copy of the Deed Restrictions, please call the office at 244-8240. At that time, we will update your information in our system.



STREET LIGHTS

If you notice a street light near your home that is out, call LG&E at (502) 589-1444. We need all our street lights burning to keep the neighborhood safe for our residents and to prevent any problems. If you can't make the call, please call the office and report the street light.



SCHOOL IS OUT

School is out and there will be lots of children riding bikes, etc., throughout the neighborhood. Please be aware and drive safely. Watch for our children and also ask your children to use the sidewalks provided to us in order to keep everyone safe. If you see someone speeding through the neighborhood or running stop signs, call the police and provide them as much information on that driver as you can such as the type of car and color and any other information you can provide.

Also, if you continue to see speeding in the neighborhood, you can call Jeffersontown Police Dept. (267-0503) and ask them to patrol in that area. Let's all be safe and have a great summer.



POOL INFORMATION

FOR INFORMATION REGARDING THE SWIMMING POOL OPENING, PLEASE CHECK THE JEFFERSONTOWN WEBSITE, WWW.JEFFERSONTOWNKY.GOV.

ALSO, PLEASE WATCH FOR INFORMATION ON THE MARQUEE LOCATED ON TIMBERWOOD CIRCLE.

ANNUAL YARD SALE

Due to Covid-19 and the safety of our neighborhood, the Plainview Yard Sale is canceled for this summer. The Board will consider a new date in the fall if restrictions are lifted. Thank you for your understanding.



PARKING

Parking is presenting problems in the neighborhood. Please try to park in your driveways as this makes for a better flow of traffic throughout the community. Also, it gives emergency vehicles a much clearer path to get to their destinations in time of need. Not parking on the streets also prevents any accidents from happening such as a small child running out unexpectedly from behind a parked car. Please help us to keep our streets clear and safe for our children at play.

GARBAGE CANS

The office has received numerous phone calls regarding trash cans being left at the curb after collection for long periods of time. Please retrieve your trash cans after collection and place them in the rear of your home as out of sight of your neighbors as possible. Thank you in advance.

MAIL BOXES

Included in this newsletter is a flier with all the information on mailboxes. If you are in need of a new mailbox or maybe your horse logo along with your house numbers are just faded and worn, you can order new logos, easy to apply, and standardized number sets. The information for this package is explained on the insert. If you have any further questions, you may call the office at 244-8240. We will be glad to help you.



BELOW ARE SOME OF THE DEED RESTRICTIONS THAT AFFECT OUR RESIDENTS. PLEASE READ THEM CAREFULLY AND PLEASE HELP US TO ENFORCE THESE DEED RESTRICTIONS.

Deed restrictions were imposed for the mutual benefit of all property owners in the Plainview Subdivision. If everyone can abide by these simple restrictions, property values will be preserved and hopefully increased in the coming years.

SIGNS

PLEASE remember we do have a Deed Restriction against signs in your front yards for advertising or any other purpose. Please remember this when having work done to your home. The only signs allowed in your front yard are "For Sale" signs. No pointer signs are allowed. Open House signs are allowed on the day of the Open House and should be removed at the end of that day. Yard sale signs are permitted on the day of the sale and should be picked up after the sale is over. PLEASE help us to follow these sign restrictions. The office has received many comments from surrounding neighborhoods on how nice our subdivision looks without signs everywhere.

ADDITIONS TO YOUR HOME

PLEASE remember when making any changes to your home on the exterior, you need to seek the approval of the Board of Directors of the Plainview Residents' Association. This includes additions to your home, fencing, playhouses or any structure that is an addition to your property. Please contact the office for more information.

TREE REMOVAL

When removing trees from your yard, you need to seek the approval of the Board of Directors of the Plainview Residents' Association. Please contact the office for more information.

PETS

The office receives many calls regarding dogs being left outside for hours and barking constantly. This is a disturbance to your surrounding neighbors. If your neighbor's dog is one of the offenders, perhaps discussing the problem with your neighbor is a good first step. If not, Jeffersontown has a nuisance ordinance and barking dogs are considered disturbing the peace. If you call the Jeffersontown Police Department, they will send an officer out to warn the offending parties. PLEASE be a good pet owner and good neighbor and attend to your pets needs.

Also, we have had some complaints about dogs and cats running loose in the neighborhood. Please remember there is a leash law in Jeffersontown and a Deed Restriction in Plainview. Article 8 of the Deed Restrictions specifically states "household pets shall at all times be confined to the lot occupied by the owner of such pet". Animal Control does patrol the neighborhood. We want to commend those Plainview pet owners who, when walking their dogs, carry "scoopers" and plastic bags to clean up after their pets. We ask all pet owners to carry plastic bags and clean up after their pets. We appreciate your thoughtfulness.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR COOPERATION!

USEFUL TELEPHONE NUMBERS - SAVE!

JEFFERSONTOWN PUBLIC WORKS DEPT: 267-7273.

Includes trash collection, recycling, street cleaning, sidewalk repair, street repair

JEFFERSONTOWN CITY HALL: 267-8333.

Bill Dieruf, Mayor
City Council Members

JEFFERSONTOWN POLICE DEPARTMENT: 267-0503.

Call this number for Block Watch Program and General Information

JEFFERSONTOWN WEBSITE

www.jeffersontownky.com

LG&E: 589-1444 - PRESS 1

Street lights out, repairs

ANIMAL CONTROL & PROTECTION CENTER:

363-6609 Stray Animals

MAILBOX REPAIRS OR NEW INSTALLATION:

Steel Boxes - Steel Creations

Ask for Shawn - 636-2100
Single or Double Mailboxes

Brick Boxes

Steve Hall - 376-1191

GARBAGE COLLECTION:

Questions regarding trash collection, recycling or large items other than normal garbage, please call RUMPKE at 568-3800

PLAINVIEW RESIDENTS' ASSOCIATION:

Office: 244-8240
Fax: 253-9226

J-TOWN PLAINVIEW SWIM & TENNIS CENTER

SWIM—244-4670
TENNIS—244-4974

PLAINVIEW WEBSITE

www.plainviewassoc.com

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Fun-filled
Summer!*

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