



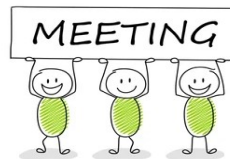
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**BUSINESS
OFFICE CLOSED
MAY 25**



**NEXT REGULAR BOARD
MEETING
WEDNESDAY
MAY 13, 2026 5:30PM**



ASSOCIATION NEWS

BUSINESS OFFICE HOURS

Hours: Monday, Wednesday, Friday
9:00 am — 3:00 pm

Emails received out of office hours will only
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ACC / Design Review
Covenant Review Taskforce
Swim Team
Social Committee
Play Group

All committees are open to residents, and
volunteers are always needed and welcome

BOARD MEETING MINUTES

In an effort to provide timely Board information to
the Membership, unofficial minutes of each Board
meeting will be published in the next issue of the
Herald. Official, approved copies of all Minutes will be
on file and available at the Business Office.

MOVING FROM HOMESTEAD?

If you move from Homestead and retain ownership
of your home, it is your responsibility to pay the
Homeowners dues. Remember:
Please notify the Business office of your new address.
Dues are always due 1 March. If you are a Renter, you
should forward all notices to the Homeowner.

Welcome to Homestead's New Business Manager!

The Board is pleased to welcome **Sherelle
Horsfield** as our new HOA Business Manager.

Many residents already know Sherelle from her
years of dedicated service as our Office Assistant,
where she consistently demonstrated
professionalism, warmth, and a deep commitment
to our community.

We are confident that her experience and strong
relationships with residents will make this
transition seamless, and we look forward to the
continued positive impact she will bring in her new
role.

The Board of Directors

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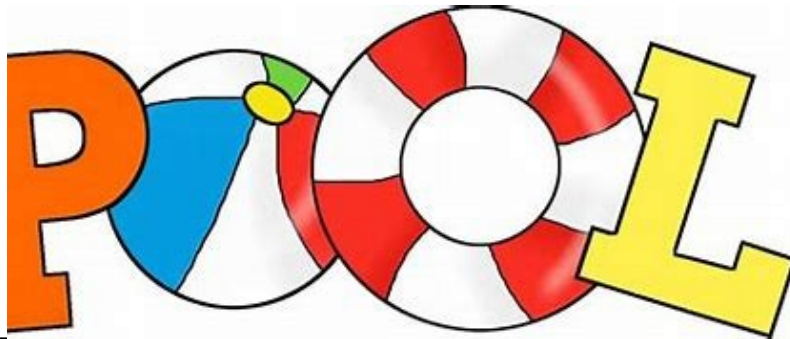
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South Pool opening day May 22—**Strictly only for Homestead residents**

North & West Pool opening May 23

Lap Swim at North Pool—May 11 (5am—7:30) **only for residents with signed 2026 waivers**

Lap Swim at South & West Pools—May 23 (5am—8am) **only for residents with signed 2026 waivers**

Pool parties only available after May 25 via online booking on the website

Late night swim days have changed check the website

Your pool entry phone app might need refreshing:

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Single-family homes:							
Odd-numbered address							
Even-numbered address							
All others, including: multifamily and commercial							

Water your yard only on your 2 designated days and before 10 a.m. or after 6 p.m.
Find more information and water-saving tips at willowswater.org

Willows Water District Drought Information

Denver Water is the source for Willows Water District. Denver Water has issued Drought Watering Restrictions effective March 25, 2026.

By contract, Willows Water District and its customers are required to follow Denver Water's watering restrictions. In addition, Willows Water District customers must follow Denver Water's watering rules.

While the drought declaration seeking a 20% reduction in water use is effective immediately, there is no need to turn on automatic irrigation systems until at least mid- to late-May. It is not necessary to water grass two days a week in April and the beginning of May, which will help save water. Occasional hand-watering may be necessary for trees and shrubs during this time.

Effective immediately, customers in single-family residential properties may water **no more than two days per week** and must follow a set schedule:

- Addresses ending in **even** numbers can only water on: **Sunday and Thursday.**
- Addresses ending in **odd** numbers can only water on: **Wednesday and Saturday.**
- All other customers, including multi-family properties, commercial properties, HOA's and government properties, can only water on **Tuesdays and Fridays.**

In addition, customers must follow Denver Water's annual summer watering rules:

- Water only during cooler times of the day, between 6PM and 10AM
- Do not allow water to pool in gutters, streets and alleys.
- Do not waste water by letting it spray on concrete and asphalt.
- Repair leaking sprinkler systems within 10 days.
- Do not irrigate while it is raining or during high winds.
- Use a hose nozzle with a shut-off valve when washing your car.

Denver Water is developing plans for enforcement of watering restrictions, along with proposed temporary drought pricing that would place a premium on higher-volume outdoor water use, while keeping the cost per gallon for essential indoor water use, such as for drinking, cooking and bathing, unchanged. Willows Water is monitoring these developments and will share information about drought rates and enforcement in the coming weeks.



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Get Involved! Parent Volunteers Needed for 2026 Swim Season!

Our neighborhood swim team—a beloved tradition for more than 40 years—is looking for parent volunteers to help us continue to thrive. We are seeking Parent Representatives in Training (PRITs) for the snack bar, as well as volunteers for several Community Chair roles: one heating co-chair, one tent co-chair, and two Saturday snack co-managers. We've made a few updates to the Community Chair positions this year to improve efficiency and better support our team operations. These positions are a wonderful way to learn the inner workings of our swim program and play a meaningful part in its success. To put it plainly, the swim team depends on parent involvement; without volunteers, we cannot run the program. Join our swim team family and help us make the 2026 season our best yet. If you're looking for a fun, rewarding way to support our community, please reach out to Geniella Lester at geniella.lester@gmail.com.

Save The Dates!

Try Outs: May 11th and 12th (Not ready for swim team? No problem! Ask about our Category 1 Hurricanes program.)

Pirates Cove: Thursday June 4th from 6:00-8:00pm. You can purchase tickets at registration.

Parents Party at Parry's Pizza at South Glen. Saturday June 13th at 7:00pm

Practice Schedule:

May 13-22: Afternoon Practices

6 and Under: 3:45pm - 4:30pm

7-8 Boys and Girls: 4:30pm -5:15pm

9-10 Boys and Girls: 5:15pm – 6:00pm

All 11-18 Boys and Girls: 6:0 pm – 7:00pm

May 26-July 3: Morning Practices

11-12 Boys and Girls: 7:45am – 8:45am

13-18 Boys and Girls: 8:30am – 9:30am

7-8 and 9-10 Girls: 9:15am – 10:15am

7-8 and 9-10 Boys: 10:00am – 11:00am

6 and Under: 10:45am – 11:30am

Category 1: 11:30am – 12:00pm

NEW Evening Practice Option: Wednesdays & Fridays 12 & Under: 7:00pm – 8:00pm

*****NO PRACTICE FRIDAY, JULY 3RD**

*****Practice times are subject to change based upon the actual number of swimmers in each age group. Safety and good learning experience are our main concerns.**

2026 Event Schedule (Preliminary)


Day	Date	Time	Event	Location
Monday-Tuesday	May 11-12	3:30 - 5:00pm	New Swimmer Tryouts	North Pool
Wednesday-Friday	May 13-22	3:45 - 7:00pm	Afternoon Swim Practices	North Pool
Monday	May 25	NO PRACTICE	MEMORIAL DAY	
Monday-Friday	May 26 - July 3	7:45am - 12:00pm	Morning Swim Practices	North Pool
Saturday	May 30	6:00am - 2:00pm	HURRICANES v. SUNDANCE HILLS	North Pool
Tuesday	June 2	6:00 - 8:00pm	STAR Meet	North Pool
Saturday	June 6	6:00am - 2:00pm	HURRICANES v. CHERRY CREEK VISTA	Cherry Creek Vista
Tuesday	June 9	6:00 - 8:00pm	STAR Meet	North Pool
Monday	June 1	7:00am - 12:00pm	TEAM PHOTO	North Pool
Saturday	June 13	6:00am - 2:00pm	HURRICANES v. STONEGATE	Stonegate
Tuesday	June 16	6:00 - 8:00pm	STAR Meet	North Pool
Saturday	June 20	6:00am - 2:00pm	HURRICANES v. CHERRY KNOLLS	North Pool
Tuesday	June 23	6:00 - 8:00pm	STAR Meet	North Pool
Saturday	June 27	6:00am - 2:00pm	HURRICANES v. BEN FRANKLIN	Ben Franklin
Tuesday	June 30	6:00 - 8:00pm	STAR Meet	North Pool
Monday	July 6	6:00am - 3:00pm	13-18 RMSL Prelims	Cherry Creek Vista
Tuesday	July 7	6:00am - 3:00pm	8 & UNDER Prelims	North Pool
Wednesday	July 8	6:00am - 3:00pm	9/10 RMSL Prelims	Heritage Green
Thursday	July 9	6:00am - 3:00pm	11/12 RMSL Prelims	Homestead Farm II
Saturday	July 11	6:00am - 3:00pm	RMSL Finals	Stonegate

** Away Meets
** Home Meets

Your 2026 Swim Team Parent Representatives,

Geniella Lester, Jessica Wang, Jessica Storm, Sarah Parsons, and Nevienne Manning

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Watering restrictions in place

According to Denver Water, a dry winter has resulted in low snowpack, reduced stream flows, and below-normal reservoir levels.

Outdoor irrigation for lawns and landscapes accounts for about half of all residential water use in the district.

Colorado's Front Range is a semi-arid region, typically receiving 13–15 inches of precipitation annually; during drought conditions, this can drop to 8–10 inches.

These conditions can stress plant material, especially with limited supplemental irrigation.

The Homestead in the Willows HOA will closely monitor water use in their greenbelts in 2026, aiming to maintain healthy landscapes while minimizing plant stress and avoiding higher water rates.

Currently the HOA is restricted to two days weekly Tues / Friday.

Water-Wise Tips for Homeowners:

Water based on plant needs and seasonal conditions.

Adjust sprinkler zones and run times (shaded areas need less water).

Regularly inspect sprinkler heads for proper function.

Use drip irrigation where possible to reduce evaporation.

Check soil moisture before watering; if soil is moist, skip it.

Water overnight (10 p.m. – 6 a.m.) and avoid windy or hot periods.

Ensure sprinklers target landscaping only, not hard surfaces.

Skip watering after ½ inch or more of rainfall.

Group plants with similar water needs into separate zones.

Use timers when watering manually with hoses or soaker systems.

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Consider Implementing Xeriscape

Xeriscape or water-wise landscaping uses low-water-use plants to create a landscape that's sustainable in Colorado's semi-arid climate. Denver Water coined the word in 1981 to help make low-water-use landscaping an easily recognized concept. Xeriscape is a combination of the word "landscape" and the Greek word "xeros," which means dry. If designed properly, Xeriscape can be lush, colorful and easy to care for. The Xeriscape concept is based on the following seven principles:

1. **Planning and Design:** Consciously creating a landscape plan is the first principle of xeriscaping. Such planning helps in defining existing conditions for choosing plants. In particular, you should identify different zones by water usage -- those that will require supplemental watering, for example.
2. **Soil Improvements:** The second principle concerns soil. Soil testing aids soil improvement but choosing native plants may allow you to use your soil un-amended. Compost and other soil supplements can help improve water retention, as well as provide nutrients.
3. **Efficient Irrigation:** The heart of xeriscaping concerns the third principle -- efficient irrigation. Knowing where, how, when and how much you need to irrigate conserves water. The zones identified in planning determine where to irrigate. Gear different methods to the plants involved: sprinklers for turf, but drip irrigation for shrubs, for example. Only irrigate if there is insufficient

rainfall. When you do irrigate, water deeply. Use gauges or controllers to determine how much water you've applied.

4. **Plant Zones:** The fourth principle concerns selecting plants suitable for the different zones identified in your design. Group plants with similar water needs. Put plant groups that need water in low-lying areas and close to water sources. Although many associate desert plants, such as cactus, with xeriscaping, the key is choosing the right plant for the available water.

5. **Mulches:** Mulch is the fifth principle. Mulching reduces soil evaporation, conserving moisture and reducing the need for irrigation. A bonus is that mulches keep down weed growth. Organic mulches, such as bark or shredded wood, also help improve the soil as they break down. Gravel and rocks do not need replacing but can increase heat in warm climates.

6. **Turf Alternatives:** Turf alternatives are the sixth principle. Lawns require much more water than other alternatives. Confine turf to limited areas using drought-tolerant grasses. Substitute paving or decks, mulched areas or other ground-cover plantings that require little irrigation.

7. **Maintenance:** The seventh and final principle of xeriscaping is maintaining your landscape. Only water when necessary, and provide proper care for your plants, such as fertilizing and pruning. Watch out for pests and diseases and treat them accordingly. Maintain mulch levels about 2 inches deep for inorganic mulches and 4 inches for organic mulches.



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All are welcome – come as you are!



The Covenant Review Task Force will be doing the annual site wide inspection late May – early June and is in need of volunteers.

This is a short easily managed few hours of volunteer work and a good way to give back to your community. Volunteers walk in pairs and canvas a section of the community they do not reside in.

Volunteers may walk at their convenience as long as the review is completed by the due date. Materials and training provided and volunteers remain anonymous.

Please consider volunteering for this important committee. And if you have someone in mind to walk with, please forward their information or have them contact the task force or office.

Interested parties please email
acc@homesteadinthewillows.org
with your questions or to volunteer

HOA WATERING OF GREENBELTS

Homestead HOA is following watering restrictions as per Denver Water’s guidelines.

Currently the HOA is restricted to 2 days weekly Tuesday & Friday.

Most watering will happen after 6pm before 10am, we cannot avoid this so please expect sprinklers on your daily walks.

We have applied for an exemption to allow more days to water, as we need more than 2 days to water all the green areas in our HOA.

WHAT TO DO IF YOU GET A COVENANT REVIEW TASKFORCE LETTER



Volunteers on the Covenant Review Taskforce under the direction of the HOA Board of Directors as a part of community industry best practices will be walking our community late May and early June to review homes and properties. Should you receive a courtesy notice, the steps below need to be followed!

Review the cited items and remarks

Indicate your plan to correct item(s) cited and when the work will be completed within a reasonable timeframe OR if you have already taken care of the issue(s) cited indicate what was done and date the work was completed and email photos of completed work.

Sign and date the letter and return to the ACC by the date required in the letter.

Please be advised that there is no practice in place to cross-check ACC applications with the task force findings. Should you receive a task force letter citing issue(s) that you have submitted an ACC application for PLEASE just note the task force letter with that information and return the letter to the ACC by the date indicated in the letter. If the issue(s) has already been addressed, please return the letter with photos showing compliance to the office or respond via email to acc@homesteadinthewillows.org showing compliance.

Mistakes can be made and if there is a misunderstanding, the HOA would like to clear it up as soon as possible, but we cannot address it if we don't know about it. Please respond to the letter with any discrepancies by the response date required in the letter.

You may respond via email to acc@homesteadinthewillows.org

If the ACC does not hear from you by the date indicated in the letter, they will assume you have not taken corrective action. The cited issue(s) then becomes a covenant violation, and the HOA will proceed to the next steps per out published policy which may include fines. If the work is done upon inspection nothing further will be required of you

If you want to avoid fines make sure you respond to the notice.

Homestead in the Willows – Task Force Checklist

The following is a list of what volunteers will be looking for during the site wide walk around:

House Condition – Check the condition and describe the specific concern that applies.

Paint: location _____

- Faded/blotchy
- Chipping/peeling
- Other _____

Siding: location _____

- Holes in view
- Rotting/deteriorating

Windows/frames: location _____

(window frames are known as brick mold)

- Rotting
- Paint chipping
- Screens ripped/missing (ok if **all** screens have been removed)

Shutters: location _____

- Vane(s) broken/missing/warped
- Paint chipping
- Shutters off the house

Garage door/s

- Paint peeling/chipping
- General disrepair (hanging askew, warped panels, loose trim, dented, etc.)

Roof

- Missing shingles
- Gutter section missing/deteriorating

Property Condition – Check the condition and describe the specific concern that applies.

Dead branches/ trees: _____

- Dead tree(s) or significant dead branches on one or more trees.
Be specific as to which tree(s), location, type
(Tree removal includes the stump)

Landscape/Beds: location _____

- Significantly weed invaded
- Dead/dying shrubs
- Shrubs/trees blocking sidewalk/street signs
- Junipers showing **extensive** brown, dead branches visible from street/path

Lawn: location _____

- Significantly weed invaded
- Large dirt patches
- Weed/fabric barrier showing

Fence: location _____

- Leaning/falling down
- Pulling away from house
- Missing/broken posts/boards/rails

Mail Box and/or Post

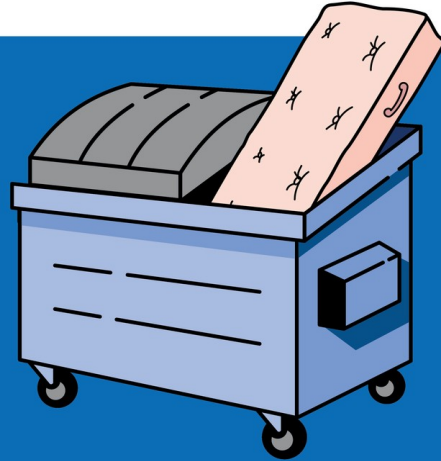
- General disrepair (post/box rotting/leaning, rusty, needs paint etc.)
Problem: (be specific) _____

General Items/other debris

- 'Stored' in view around house/porch

Name items: _____

Your neighborhood **Dumpster Day**



SATURDAY, May 16th. 8am—9:30am

**Or until the dumpster is full,
North Pool Parking Lot**

Acceptable Dumpster items:

- Scrap Lumber, scrap metal, carpet, doors, cabinets, drywall, fencing materials
- Small appliances, washers, dryers, ranges, dishwashers, water heaters
- Furniture, bed frames, box springs, mattresses
- Bicycles, swing sets, kiddie wading pools,
- Lawn furniture,
- Railroad ties, tree stumps larger than 12 inches in diameter
- Barbeque grills without the propane tanks, lawn mowers
- Non-hazardous miscellaneous junk

Unacceptable Dumpster Items: (this list is not all inclusive)

- Electronics, computer monitors, tv's,
- Batteries & Acid, Ashes
- Anything with Freon or Gas/refrigerators/ freezers
- Florescent light bulbs
- Hazardous & Medical Waste
- Wet Pint
- Propane tanks
- Microwaves
- Dirt, rock, brick, cement etc.
- Tires/auto parts/oil/gasoline
- Broken glass, mirrors unless wrapped in newspaper & labeled



DONATION DROP-OFF EVENT

Homestead North Pool

SATURDAY MAY 16, 2026

8AM - 12PM

Bring donations to The Salvation Army truck, parked on the street, adjacent to the parking lot, and receive a tax receipt.

All items should be gently used or in new condition, not broken, torn, stained or in need of repair.

PLEASE NO DUMPING OF ITEMS BEFORE, DURING OR AFTER THE EVENT.

ACCEPTABLE ITEMS:

- Clothing, Shoes & Accessories
- Home Décor
- Housewares & Kitchenware
- Jewelry
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- Garbage Disposals
- Jacuzzis & Hot Tubs
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- Refrigerators & Air Conditioners (due to freon/coolant)
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- Batteries, Tires & Wheels
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- Guns, Firearms & Ammunition
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- Infant Products (due to recalls)
- Light Bulbs & Batteries
- Medical Equipment & Medical Supplies
- Propane Tanks & Gas Powered Tools

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HOMESTEAD'S



FOURTH OF JULY

Celebration

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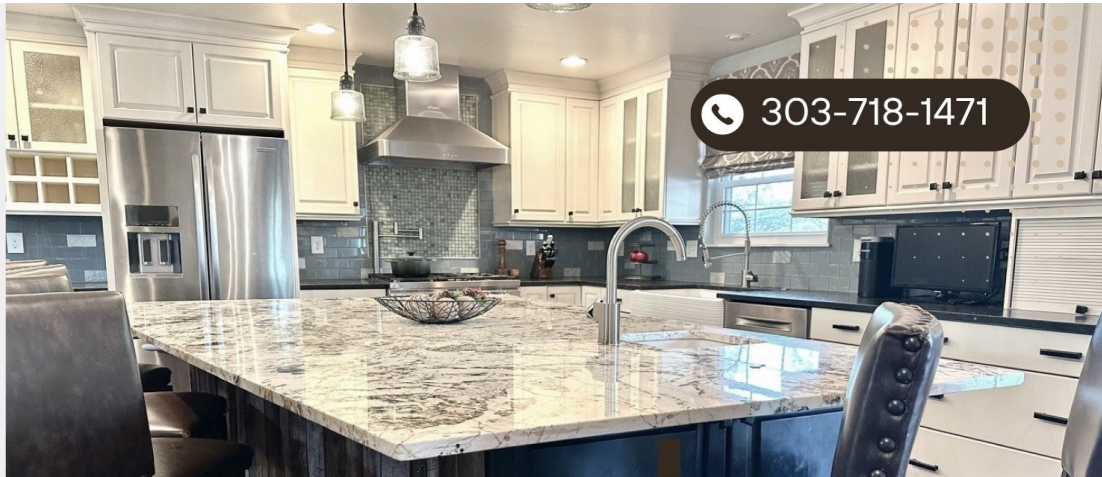
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HOMESTEAD IN THE WILLOWS HOA

Regular Board Meeting – April 8, 2026 Unofficial Minutes

Present: Board Members: Robb Origer (via zoom) Heather Rich; Eric Kemp; Steve Bell; Stuart Siekmeier; Managers: Katie Kidwell; Emily Maxfield; Jill Ellsworth; Shannon Ricca; Manager Assistant: Sherelle Horsfield; Swim Team Rep Nevienna Manning. Also present, irrigation contractor Troy Becker (WaterKetch) and residents Earl H. Bogle and Emo Penterman.

Minutes from the March 9, 2026 Annual Meeting of Members were approved as read.

Board Actions & Ratification

Eric moved and Steve seconded a motion to ratify the Board's approval of stipulation terms for account 872 and a payment plan for account 664. The motion passed unanimously.

Homeowner Comments

Mr. Earl H. Bogle requested that the Board ask the City of Centennial to install speed bumps on Costilla Avenue. He reported frequent speeding and unsafe scooter/motorbike use and expressed concern about potential accidents.

He also asked the Board to publish the City's leash law and remind residents that allowing a dog onto private property constitutes trespassing by both the dog and the owner. He noted ongoing issues with owners allowing pets to relieve themselves on private property.

Mr. Bogle further requested that the City repave neighborhood streets. The Board advised that such requests are more effective when multiple homeowners contact the City. If Mr. Bogle provides a City contact, the HOA will publish it in the Herald so other residents may submit requests as well. The Board agreed to publish the leash law and repeat the April notice regarding pet waste.

Mr. Bogle also had questions about the budget. Treasurer Steve Bell offered to review the budget with him separately.

Committee Reports

Social Committee: No report.

Swim Team: Nevienna Manning updated the Board on changes for the 2026 season:

- The 7:00 a.m. practice has been eliminated.
- An optional evening practice has been added for swimmers unable to attend mornings.
- A new developmental program for ages 4–6 has been created for children who cannot yet swim a full length but can progress with practice.
- A sponsorship program has been launched to fund a much-needed new sound system.

Nevienne requested permission to encase the speaker wires along the North Pool fence in plastic conduit to protect them from sprinklers, sun exposure, and accidental damage. Parent Information Night will be held April 16 at Koebel Library due to gym unavailability. Nevienne also asked the Board to consider hiring a Swim Team Manager, noting declining volunteer participation. The Board requested a list of proposed duties for the position.

ACC / Covenant Task Force: Emily reported that the ACC continues to approve applications within two weeks, though homeowners should still plan for up to 30 days during peak season.

With drought restrictions in place, more xeriscaping requests are expected. Some homeowners have asked whether they will be cited for dead grass during the 2026 Task Force inspection. After discussion, the Board approved a **one-year moratorium on lawn citations** for the 2026 inspection cycle. Watering restrictions from Willows Water will be published in the Homestead Herald.

The Board also agreed that instead of notifying all owners with perimeter fencing to prune shrubs and trees, citations will be issued individually as needed.

Manager Reports

Pool: Shannon Ricca updated the Board on repairs and equipment updates at all three pools. She confirmed the North Pool will be ready for Swim Team on May 11, 2026. Front Range is currently 90% staffed but still hiring lifeguards. She explained the additional cost required to install new venting in the North Pool pump room due to updated city code. Regarding the South Pool opening on the last day of school, the Board approved the following change due to last year's overcrowding: **On May 22, 2026, only Homestead residents may enter the South Pool. No guests will be permitted that day.** This will be communicated to the elementary school, on social media, and in the Homestead Herald.

Tennis: Jill Ellsworth reported that trash cans, divider nets, and windscreens will be installed the week of April 20. Tennis schedules are posted on the HOA website and will be added to the gates on April 9. One team previously registered with South Suburban has since withdrawn.

Landscape: Nancy Bauer reported that WaterKetch activated the sprinkler system the week of February 23 to address stressed sod. During activation, the Costilla Island backflow device was found stolen. A police report was filed, and a replacement device with a protective metal cage will be installed.

Additional updates:

- Pine needle cleanup completed throughout the property.
- Tree rings installed around 130 trees; fresh mulch added to all entry beds.
- Green Ash trees treated for borer insects.
- North and South Pool parking lots scheduled for crack sealing and recoating the week of May 18.

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Troy Becker (WaterKetch) explained how watering restrictions will affect the property. The HOA is limited to two watering days per week, but due to multiple zones, not all areas can be watered within that window. Current schedules comply with restrictions.

Nancy plans to apply for a 21-day watering permit to revive sod damaged during the North Pool concrete project. She also identified the Water Budget Program, which would allow watering more than two days per week if the HOA reduces total water usage by 20%. WaterKetch is confident this is achievable. Participation would allow the HOA to avoid daytime watering and maintain healthier turf.

Business: Katie Kidwell provided updates on dues and fence collections, playground equipment, and the workers' compensation insurance renewal. She also reviewed final punch-list items for the North Pool concrete replacement.

Another vehicle accident damaged the Quebec perimeter fence. Katie received a repair estimate from Split Rail Fence and will pursue reimbursement from the driver's insurance.

Old Business

Financial Report: The final audit was completed, approved by the Treasurer, and posted on the HOA website.

Flock Safety Cameras: The Board met with the Public Relations Manager for Flock Safety's Public Sector division to review questions raised at the Annual Meeting and via email. The cameras were installed with good intentions, and the Board will continue evaluating their value to the neighborhood.

New Business

Steve announced that **Sherelle Horsfield** will become the new Business Manager effective May 1, 2026.

The Board selected the following officer positions:

- **President:** Eric Kemp
- **Vice President:** Robb Origer
- **Secretary:** Stuart Siekmeier
- **Treasurer:** Steve Bell
- **Member at Large:** Heather Rich

Adjournment & Next Meeting

The meeting adjourned at 8:12 p.m.

The next regular Board Meeting will be held **Wednesday, May 13 at 5:30 p.m.** at the Business Office.

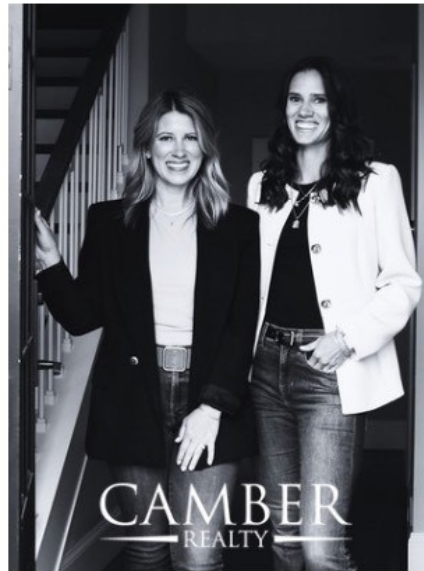


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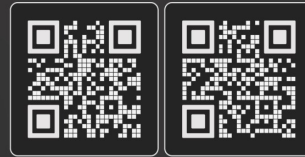
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Follow Up to Flock Safety Questions

In the April 2026 Homestead Herald, we listed a series of questions to be presented to Flock Safety in response to issues raised at the Annual Meeting on Monday, March 9. Three members of the board and our business manager met with Flock Safety representative Paris Lewbel on March 31, and following are the answers to the questions raised.

1. Please be specific on what data is captured by the Homestead cameras.

- a) Our understanding is the only data being captured are the license plate number, the color of the vehicle, the type of the vehicle (truck, SUV, sedan, etc.) and the date/time/camera location. Collectively we refer to this as "Vehicle Information." We presume no other data is captured, such as photos of the drivers of the vehicles, and if a photo of an individual is inadvertently captured, please confirm it is not stored.

ANSWER: The "Vehicle Information" is actually called a "Vehicle Fingerprint," and also includes the make / model of the car, and any distinguishing features such as roof racks, bike racks, bumper stickers, etc. No photos of individuals passing in front of the camera are captured or stored, only vehicle photos are stored.

2. What specifically happens with the data being captured?

- a) Our understanding is the vehicle information can only be accessed by the HOA Business Manager and Board President, and the Arapahoe County Sheriff's department, and that the data is not being shared or sold by Flock Safety with any other entity.
- b) Please confirm that the Vehicle Information is kept for 30 days, then permanently deleted.

ANSWER: Point 'a' is correct with one modification. Our data (for the 30 days it is stored) is available to two crime databases, one national and one for Colorado. These databases (called "hot lists") compile vehicle license plate numbers from various sources including the FBI, the Centers for Missing & Endangered Children, and other local and national crime databases. The Amber and Silver Alert systems also contribute license plate numbers. KEY POINT: If a hit is made on our data, in order to access our data, the organization making the hit must contact the Arapahoe County Sheriff's Office, and request they query the Homestead data to retrieve the Vehicle Fingerprint data. In all cases, only the ACSO can retrieve Vehicle Fingerprints. Point 'b' is correct, data is only stored for 30 days.

3. Please explain how the opt-out option for residents works.

- a) Our understanding is we get the license plate number, bounce it against the opt-out list, and if it is on that list, the Vehicle Information related to that event is not stored ANYWHERE, and thus it would never be searchable in any situation (including by the Arapahoe County Sheriff).

ANSWER: This is essentially correct, allowing for slight variations in the technical order of events. The vehicle information is captured by the camera, uploaded to the cloud database, compared against the opt-out list, and then deleted immediately if the plate number is on that list. This means anyone on the opt out list cannot be searched by any organization.

4. Please expand upon the reasons why or conditions under which our Vehicle Information data would be accessed by the Arapahoe County Sheriff's office.

- a) Is it only when they have a license plate that they are looking for? Is our data constantly being matched against a database of "vehicles of interest" (i.e. stolen vehicles, wanted persons (felony only), missing persons (amber/silver alerts), stolen plates, protection orders)?

ANSWER: As noted in question 2 above, if a hit is made on our data by the local or national crime database, then they would have to contact the ACSO, and request the Vehicle Fingerprint. There is no way for anyone, including the ACSO to do a bulk download of our data. In addition, every search of our data is recorded as to who, when, and why, the search was initiated.

5. What specific benefits can a neighborhood like Homestead expect to get from having the Flock Safety cameras installed and sharing this data with the Arapahoe County Sheriff's office? What quantifiable statistics are useful in justifying the annual expense of having the cameras?

ANSWER: This is an answer the board is still working on with Flock Safety. They were able to provide high level anecdotes, such as so far this year six abducted children in Colorado were located using Flock technology, and more specifically to the Homestead data there were 20 hot list hits during the month of March. The board's clear objective in testing this system was to protect our residents and reduce crime in the neighborhood.

Conclusion: The board will continue to evaluate this system, and are still gathering information. We are grateful to resident Steve Mahedy for offering additional questions, some of which were answered above, and others were of a more technical nature that we answered directly to Steve. Please contact the business office if you would like a copy of that exchange.

The board does feel that Flock adequately addressed the data security and privacy concerns. The data is encrypted in transit and in storage, it is only located on Flock secure servers, it is not shared or sold to any outside parties not noted above, residents have an opt-out option, and the data is deleted after 30 days. The question now is simply whether our neighborhood is safer to a point to justify the less than \$20 per year per household expense.

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