

RIVER READER



RIVER OAKS HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION

July 2024 NEWSLETTER

Hello Fellow Homeowners, Hello Friends,

Throughout the community, residents have been taking the time to spruce up their yards. I have noticed many individuals who did more than the necessary requirements. And we thank you for this and your service to the betterment of our community.

As summer moves along, the heat index is a clear indicator that we all need to protect ourselves from the extreme heat. Do not neglect to stay inside as much as necessary to avoid having heat stroke or being overcome by the temperature. Wait until the late evening to do your yard work. Some people have chosen to do their mowing in the early morning—and this is also good.

A few months ago, we were able to re-establish issuing fees and liens in 9 of our 11 areas. We are still in dispute on the other two areas. Hopefully, things will go in our favor, and everything will be back to normal. In the meantime, continue to diligently work to make our community one, if not the best, in the wider area.

As you mow your grasses watch out for snakes. They are trying to find a cool place to rest just like us. There have been several sightings of copperheads and other snakes.

Finally, we are searching for more dedicated volunteers to become a member of our HOA board. The work is not hard and only takes a couple hours a month to do. The joy that comes with knowing that you had a part in making River Oaks better is well worth the small amount of time spent. Write us a note if you are interested. Maybe, you can just come to one of our meetings that are held on the 2nd Monday of the month at Christ Community Lutheran Church, 8315 Dorchester Road at 7:00 pm. Thanks for listening!

Best regards.

Isaac Moore

President, River Oaks Homeowners Association

Neighborhood Volunteers

We want to take this opportunity to thank all those neighbors who see a need and fill it. From decorating the neighborhood, to picking up trash along their walks, to helping out a neighbor with lawn care, we appreciate you and acknowledge your efforts!



Speed Bumps/Humps/Traffic Calming Devices

This subject comes up regularly on FaceBook, Next Door, etc. Research has been done and the ROHA board is happy to help, however, we need someone to spearhead the project. All information can be found on our [ROHA WebPage](#).

2024 Budget (Approved)	
Income	Budgeted
Starting Balance	\$38,700.00
Deposit	\$75,800.00
Total	\$114,500.00
Expenses	Budgeted
Admin / Office Expenses / Corp Fee	\$400.00
Bank Charges	\$50.00
Community Improvements	\$6,000.00
Community Outreach / Special Events	\$4,000.00
Electrician	\$1,500.00
Facility use	\$400.00
General Maintenance / Repairs	\$2,500.00
HOA Management Fees	\$13,000.00
Insurance	\$9,000.00
Landscape Updating Removal	\$10,000.00
Landscaping	\$42,000.00
Legal	\$3,000.00
Mulch/Pine Straw	\$5,000.00
Newsletter Printing / Distributing	\$700.00
PO Box Fee	\$250.00
Pond Maintenance	\$2,000.00
Postage / Bulk Mail Permit	\$750.00
Property Taxes	\$500.00
Storage Unit	\$250.00
Street Lighting	\$12,500.00
Tax Preparation	\$300.00
Website	\$400.00
Total	\$114,500.00

HOA Budget

Open Balances

As of July 2024, there are a total of **73 out of 611** unique homeowners who owe a total of **74,647.87** for unpaid dues for 2023.

Paying your HOA dues is crucial for maintaining our community's well-being. These funds support essential services, upkeep, and improvements that ensure our neighborhood remains safe, beautiful, and an enjoyable place to live for all residents.

To confirm if your account with the HOA is in good standing, and to avoid fees and liens, contact the HOA Management Co. at HOA1@dorchestersold.net, or the HOA Treasurer at Treasurer.ROHA@gmail.com.

ROHA Fall Yard Sale



Saturday,
October 5th 8-1

Cedar Grove Shopping Center- This community gathering place is bustling with additional stores and restaurants, including Buffalo Wild Wings, Chicken Salad Chick and First Watch. And more are on the way in 2024. Monitor this progress at <https://www.collettre.com/.../cedar-grove-dorchester-road...> . You'll notice some interesting demographics at this site, too. Such as 108,513 people (and climbing) live within five miles and the average household income in nearby neighborhoods is \$108,000 annually.

Interstate 26 Interchange Project (I-26 & US 78) - Construction is progressing steadily. Charleston County projects the "substantial completion" early in 2026. You can monitor this project at this link: Palmetto Commerce Interchange <https://www.palmettocommerceinterchange.com/>



ROHA Information

Hurricane Information

Hurricane Season lasts from June 1 to November 1. Please keep in mind the following information:

KNOW YOUR ZONE - All of River Oaks HOA is in Zone D.

The South Carolina Hurricane Guide can be downloaded here -

https://scemd.cdn.missc.net/Public+Information/Publications/Hurricane_Guide/2024/SCEMD-2024-HurrGuide-Eng-Web.pdf.

You can sign up for Code Red Alerts here - <https://www.scemd.org/stay-informed/emergency-alerts/codered-alerts/>

Make an Emergency Plan for your family using the tools here -

<https://www.scemd.org/prepare/your-emergency-plan/>

Make sure you have saved the number for Dominion Energy in your cell phone (**1-888-333-4465**) so that you can easily report power outages or better yet, download the App. To get it on Google Play - click here - <https://bit.ly/3RVibYv>

To download on the Apple Store - click here - <https://apple.co/3LcCcWM>

Golf Cart information -

The following are the laws from the South Carolina Department of Public Safety:

- The golf cart must be insured, permitted, and registered with SCDMV using the following link, <http://scdmvonline.com/Vehicle-Owners/Types-Of-Vehicles/Golf-Cart>.
- The golf cart must remain within 4 miles of an address listed on the SCDMV permit.
- The golf cart may be operated on roads with posted speeds of 35 mph or less.
- The golf cart may be operated during daylight hours only.
- The driver must be at least 16 years old with a valid driver's license.



ROHA Information

Parking Information

Street parking is always a concern. In the event of an emergency, parking in the street obstructs emergency vehicles and can cause delays where seconds count. Additionally, parking on the many curves and cul de sacs in our neighborhood can cause cars to have to travel in the opposing lanes, potentially causing an accident or your car being hit. We understand that parking in the street could be necessary at time (parties, get-togethers), but review [the covenants and restrictions](#) for your neighborhood to understand if this practice is allowed. This can be written up as a violation so please be aware.



Social Media -

River Oaks HOA information can be found on the following social media.

[Facebook](#) - the official River Oaks HOA page. We strive to provide relevant, accurate information for Dorchester County and city of North Charleston information.

[Instagram](#) - RiverOaksHOANorthCharlestonSC. We are still working on this! So please watch for new informative and relevant content.

[Next Door](#) - the President of the HOA board will occasionally provide updates through Next Door. Please note that ND admins for River Oaks will close discussions for expired posts (e.g. pets found), profanity, and discussions that do not meet the ND guidelines.

ROHA Resident Guide

Emergency Contacts

911 N. Chs Fire Dept, EMS, Dorchester Co. Sheriff
843-873-5111 Dorchester Co. Sheriff (non-emergency)
843-740-2812 N. Chs Police Central Bureau
2500 City Hall Lane, North Charleston, SC
843-207-0666 N. Chs Police North Bureau
7272 Cross County Rd (not always occupied)
800-222-1212 Poison Control
888-333-4465 Dominion Energy (outage reporting)
843-832-0070 Public Works (street signs, roads & ditch)
800-657-0330 Dept. of Transportation (medians & road conditions of Dorchester Rd)
843-832-0015 Dorchester Co. Animal Control
843-744-8021 Red Cross
800-848-5678 Nat'l Center for Missing & Exploited Children
800-621-4000 National Runaway Safeline
800-422-4453 National Child Abuse Hotline
211 United Way Crisis Services Locator Management Co.

Dorchester Real Estate Services
When to contact: HOA violations, C&R, and dues information.

- 843.563.5005
- HOA1@dorchestersold.net
- PO Box 116, St. George, SC 29477

Pothole Reporting

- 843-745-1026 - N. Charleston
- 843-832-0070 - Dorchester Co.

Street Light Outage

- 800-251-7234
- Provide pole number

Calling All Community Champions: Volunteers Needed to Make a Difference!

We are always looking for the participation of our residents to ensure success at protecting and representing the interests of our residents! Help make the voice of your neighborhood heard by joining the board, or use your skills and talents and make a difference in your community by joining a committee (board position not required).

For more information on the work performed by each committee, visit www.riveroaksnorthcharleston.com/committees. Once you find a committee that interests you, reach out to the committee chair or attend the next HOA meeting!



Monthly Board Meetings

Meetings are open to the public, and are held on the second Monday of each month at 7pm at Christ Community Lutheran Church, located at 8315 Dorchester Road. All are invited!

Reach out to us on [our contact page](#) if you would like to speak and be added to the agenda.

Next Board Meeting: 12 August 2024

Next General Meeting: TBD



Board Members

Subdivision	Name	Email
Ansley Pointe	Kristina Carter (TREAS)	treasurer.roha@gmail.com
Ansley Pointe	Vacant	
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Appian Landing I	Vacant	
Appian Landing II	Paul Amarendran (SEC)	PaulAmarendran@gmail.com
Appian Landing II	Isaac Moore (PRES)	isaacmooreHOA@hotmail.com
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Appian Landing III	Vacant	
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Marsh Hall	Vacant	
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Marshside	Vacant	
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Palmetto Plantation	Vacant	
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River Chase	Vacant	
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Woodington I	Vacant	
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Woodington II	Vacant	
Woodington III	Cheryl Cannon	ckcannon50@yahoo.com
Woodington III	Vacant	

- Architectural Review Board: riveroakshoa@aol.com
- Community Advocacy Committee: Isaac Moore
- Communications Committee: Dakari Anderson
- Maintenance Committee: Paul Amarendran
- Community Outreach Committee: Isaac Moore
- Executive Committee: Isaac Moore
- Auditing Committee: Kristina Carter

- President: Isaac Moore
- Vice President: Paul Amarendran
- Secretary: Adam Wade
- Treasurer: Kristina Carter

Volunteers needed! [Contact us](#) to learn how you can help.