

Covenants Corner

February Inspections

We at the covenants office want to wish everyone a happy new year! We hope everyone had a wonderful holiday season! As we transition into the new year, we would like to note and remind you of a few items that we will continue to inspect.

We are currently conducting inspections of our exterior light poles to ensure they are in good working condition and can help illuminate walkways during the dark winter nights. If you notice that your exterior light pole is not functioning properly, there are a few things you can check before calling an electrician.

- 1. Firstly, try replacing the light bulb(s) to see if that resolves the issue.
- 2. If that doesn't work, check your circuit breaker as it may have tripped.
- 3. Lastly, check your photocell sensor as it may need to be readjusted or replaced. If none of these solutions work, there may be a wiring issue, and it's best to call an electrician.

Please note that all exterior light poles should be painted black unless you have received approval from the Modifications Subcommittee for a different color or style. If your exterior pole light appears faded or grayish, it might be time to paint it black.

We would also like to remind everyone about inclement weather sidewalk shoveling safety:

The Loudoun County ordinance (Chapter 1022) requires the owner/occupant of a property that has a public sidewalk adjoining or touching the property in the front, rear, or either side, to clear or treat that sidewalk for snow and ice within 6 hours of a snowfall (by noon for overnight snowfall)

Broadlands Association is not responsible for removing the snow from sidewalks in front of townhomes or single-family homes. This is the sole responsibility of the resident. Property owners abutting common areas (i.e. along Ellzey Drive) are also responsible for clearing those sidewalks. This will provide a safe walkway for children going to school.

The Loudoun County Department of Building and Development is responsible for the enforcement of this ordinance. Please report all complaints to Loudoun County via their online reporting tool, LEx – Loudoun Express Request, at this link: http://iframe.publicstuff.com/#/?client_id=1295&request_type_id=32432.