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# Woodlake News

## Board Approves 2021 Updated Rules & Regulation for Woodlake

At the Board meeting on March 25, 2021 the Board of Directors motioned and passed the 2021 updated Rules and Regulations. The main change was to the section on Trash Disposal. This section now reads:

Woodlake is no longer permitted large item/bulk trash removal by the City of Clearwater. It is the resident/owner’s responsibility to have their bulk trash and large items removed at their expense. Appliances, Mattresses, Furniture, etc. should be donated whenever it is possible.

1. Good Shephard Thrift Store - 727-600-5820
2. Salvation Army – 1-800-728-7825
3. Habitat for Humanity Pinellas – 727-209-2199
4. Your charity of choice

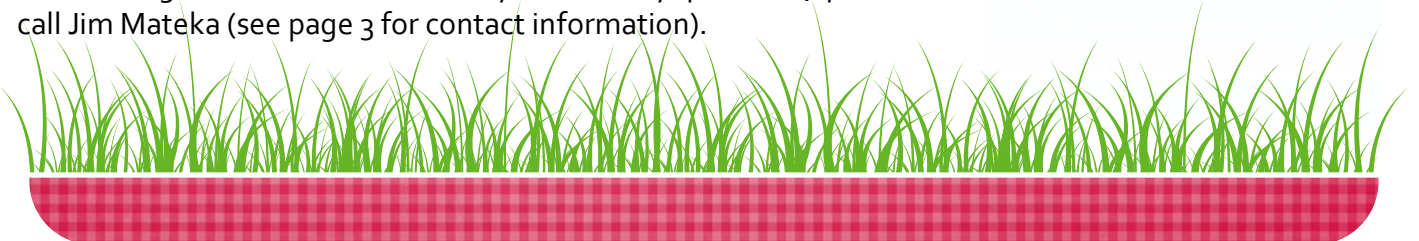
As stated the City of Clearwater will no longer remove bulk trash from Woodlake due to abuse of this service. The dumpster has been moved to the northwest circle allowing for additional parking. Large/bulk items must be disposed of by the individual resident or Woodlake is charged for removal and maintenance fees may increase due to this additional expense. Attached to this email is a copy of the updated Rules & Regulations now in effect. If you have any questions, please call Jim Mateka (see page 3 for contact information).

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Important Dates

- 04/15 Board Meeting—  
6:30pm
- 05/20 Board Meeting—  
6:30pm
- 05/31 Memorial Day
- 06/20 Summer Begins



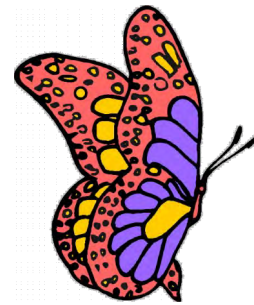
## Meeting Tidbits

- A & M Tree Trimming has completed the Woodlake tree trimming project.
- Financial workshops held.
- Board researching cost for repair/replacing of pool furniture.
- Rodent traps are being monitored and a report to be sent monthly to Jim at Ameri-Tech.
- Rules and Regulations updated.
- The correct procedure to form a committee was reviewed.
- The repair/replacement of the playground swings was discussed and tabled to next board meeting.
- The procedure for collection of fees was discussed.
- Inspection of fire extinguished was scheduled.
- Bay Area Heating A& Cooling to complete the maintenance and yearly inspection of the clubhouse air-conditioning unit.
- Jim to discuss smoke alarm certification with our insurance company.

## Collection of Late Payments

A discussion at the board meeting about the collection of late payments took place at the recent board meeting. A policy and procedure was presented outlining the collection of late payments of maintenance fees and a discussion of a policy to be presented to the community. Jim Mateka will contact Woodlake's attorney and request their legal opinion. This opinion will be presented to the board of directors for review and a policy and procedure for collection will be created.

Once the completed Collection Policy & Procedure is reviewed and passed by the board this document will be sent to the unit owner's for their information.




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*"I enjoy the spring more than the autumn now. One does, I think, as one gets older."*

— Virginia Woolf, *Jacob's Room*



### Telephone Numbers

#### **Ameri-Tech**

Jim Mateka : 727-726-8000 Ext. 269

#### **Bouchar Insurance**

David Mohns: 727-373-2947

#### **Plumber**

Just In Time Plumbing:  
727-412-8075

#### **Electrician**

Dunedin Electric:  
727-773-1622  
David Nardin Electric:  
727-418-5674

#### **Lawn & Trees**

Contact Jim Mateka  
O'Neills Tree Service:  
727-599-7548

#### **Pest Control**

Haskell Termite & Pest:  
727-466-6533  
Dean A. Soles  
Pest Control  
727-643-1888

#### **Handyman & Janitorial**

Ignacio Riveras Service  
and Repair (Chili):  
727-686-9511  
Affordable Work Orders:  
727-709-4895

#### **Locksmith**

Countryside Locksmith:  
727-796-0292

#### **Air Conditioning**

Cool Wizard  
Alison or Robert  
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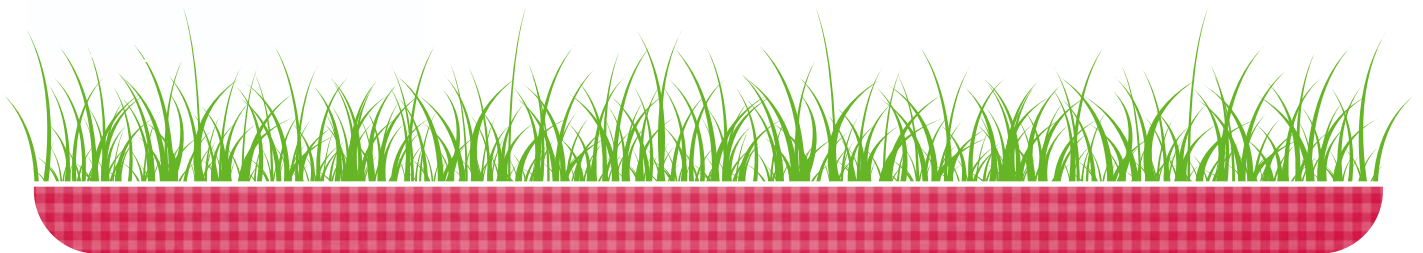
## Roofs, Fences, Paving

At the March meeting the board of directors authorized Jim Mateka of Ameri-Tech to apply for a for roofing, paving and/or fencing loan. This authorization allows Ameri-Tech to begin the process for the funding of the replacement of roofs. Jim also will compute the cost of roofs alone, roofs and fences, roofs and paving. When the amount of funding is determined the paperwork for a loan to complete this project will be sought. This loan will initiate a special assessment with the amount to be determined after a complete review and loan approval. Jim will report to the board on his progress as he seeks funding.

““Spring is the time of plans and projects.”  
— Leo Tolstoy, Anna Karenina

## Cars Will be Towed

Recently the City of Clearwater Code Enforcement tagged an unregistered/ outdated registered vehicle. Ameri-Tech was informed by Clearwater that if the issue wasn't rectified (it was) the City of Clearwater Code Enforcement Office would tow the car after the required notification and the **Woodlake Association** would be liable and billed for the towing expense. The board of directors and Jim Mateka will be reviewing the CTS Towing contract and will update as needed. The Woodlake towing policy and procedure will be reviewed and implemented. Please review the Rules and Regulations "Traffic and Parking" on the attached Woodlake 2021 Rules & Regulations.



# Domesticated Animals Code of Ordinance

## Pinellas County & The City of Clearwater

An ongoing complaint of Woodlake's residents is pet owners not picking up after their pets and pets being allowed on Woodlake's community property not properly leashed. If you notice an unleashed dog and know the pet owner; please send the information to Jim Mateka (jmateka@ameritechmail.com) I have linked the [Clearwater Code Compliance—A Citizens Guide to Code Enforcement](https://www.myclearwater.com/home/showdocument?id=1256) for your information (website: <https://www.myclearwater.com/home/showdocument?id=1256>).

Every responsible dog owner agrees... picking up after your dog is a **MUST**. No matter where or when it occurs there is NO excuse for not scooping the poop. So here are 10 reasons why **EVERY** dog owner **MUST** be responsible for picking up EVERY TIME.

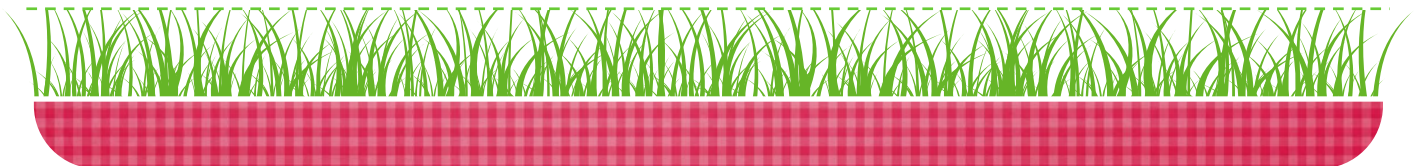
1. IT'S THE LAW. Just like littering, it's unlawful NOT to pick up after your dog, and your violation is subject to fine.
2. IT'S COMMON COURTESY. Cleaning up after your dog shows respect for our neighbors and our community. Only irresponsible dog owners leave their dog's poop for others to look at, step in or clean up.
3. DOG POOP IS UNHEALTHY. Abandoned dog poop can host diseases and/or parasites which can infect other dogs who come into contact with it, or be transmitted to people who accidentally step in it and track it home. Particularly at risk, of course, are children who play on the ground. Disposing of dog poop immediately helps all dogs stay healthier and reduces feces-borne parasites and illnesses.
4. DOG POOP BIODEGRADES SLOWLY. Some people think it's okay to leave dog poop because it will break down naturally. However, the process is very slow, and, especially in places where the dog population is high, abandoned dog poop can accumulate faster than it breaks down.
5. IT'S NOT FERTILIZER! In fact, poop impedes landscaping efforts. Leaving dog poop encourages other dogs to mark that spot (by urinating over the previous dog's scent): poop left on the grass contributes to the problem of "nitrogen burn."

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6. DOG POOP POLLUTES THE WATER. Dog feces, like any feces, contain high levels of nutrients, like nitrogen and phosphorus, which actually pollute the water. Dog feces and urine contain relatively large amounts of nitrogen and phosphorus. These nutrients feed and stimulate the growth of algae in water bodies in much the same way as fertilizers help lawns to grow. This can cause the water body to become depleted in oxygen, making it less healthy for fish and large levels of growth can impede recreational and

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*"This community will not be a good place for any of us to live in unless we make it a good place for all of us to live in." Theodore Roosevelt*



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7. **DOG POOP IS UNSIGHTLY.** Everybody knows that. It's disgusting. Pick it up. We all deserve to live in a clean neighborhood where we can be proud and step lightly.
8. **DOG POOP TOPS THE LIST OF COMPLAINTS AGAINST DOGS.** Along with dog aggression, nuisance barking or unsupervised dogs, most complaints against dogs are about people not cleaning up after their dogs. This is true for common areas, backyards, sidewalks, and your own lawn.
9. **DOG POOP MAKES DOG OWNERS LOOK BAD.** For everyone who cares about their pets, the worst thing about dog poop is that it is bad for public relations. Dog Poop is a big reason for negative public sentiment against dogs. Every time you don't pick up after your dog, you are giving one more reason for others to dislike dogs and dog owners.
10. **YOUR ACTIONS SET AN EXAMPLE FOR OTHERS.** When you pick up after your dog, you are part of the solution! And your actions will help convey the message that it's the right thing to do. Many people even carry extra bags to offer to others as a subtle and neighborly hint that cleaning up after our dogs is what responsible dog owners do.

It's up to each of us to do our part in keeping Woodlake clean and poop-free. Make sure you carry bags with you. In fact, carry extras and offer them to dog owners who aren't prepared or may not yet be educated about the importance of picking up after their dogs. Spread the word that **Poop Destroys Our Good Reputation as Responsible Dog Owners!**

