

Spring 2023 Orchard Knob Update

Hillcrest Landscaping service agreement for Orchard Knob

All property will be mowed, trimmed, and edged per week. (March 1st. November.) Except if weather dictates.

- Will check shrubs, and tree lines behind all buildings each week, to see if any trimming, or spraying needs to be done.
- Will pick up any downed tree limbs each visit to the property.
- Will check Pine Needles around mailboxes, and asphalt each week, and if there are any out of place, we will re-tuck.
- Each weekly visit, a crew member will walk the backs of each building to make sure everything has been completed.

Lawn Application.

- Early Spring Pre-emergent which will be done in February (to prevent any new weeds).
- In the month of April, Weed and feed fertilizer will be put out to kill broad leaf weeds.
- Fall-Core aeration, fertilizer, seeding, and lime application.
- Winter-Winter time fertilizer for early Springtime growth.
- Will see about getting Tru-Green to come to the property to spray the fronts, and the side yards of each building.
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Other Services.

- With calling of snow, we will provide a pre-salt application in the monthly price.
- Tree pruning around the wood line once a year.
- Crepe Myrtles will be pruned in February.
- Any low hanging limbs that are dead, will be taken off the trees as soon as possible.
- Pine Needle beds will be sprayed on a regular basis.
- Once flowers are put in at the entrance, Miracle-Gro will be applied.

Side Notes:

- During slow months, if the turf is not growing, we will do whatever is needed to help guarantee a great curb appeal. We will keep all shrubs and lower limbs cut as needed. We will also pick up limbs and blow all curb lines, walkways, and driveways during the dry Summer and cold Winter months.
- Bagging of grass clippings, when needed, is \$40.00 per hour. All our visits will be on a weekly schedule to guarantee you get the job you want, and the best work for your money.
- Snow removal is \$175.00 per hour.
- Additional pine needles or fall needle application available for \$8.50 per bale.

Landscaping Contacts

- Issues with landscaping communicate with the management through the website <https://orchardknobhoa.com/> or the management company greg@goldenpropertymgt.com
- If you want to purchase pine needles or landscape services, contact Jordan Simmons at hillcrestlandscaping@outlook.com

Landscaping update

- Pre-emergent was spread on 1/28/2023.
- Pine needles will be installed on the front and side yard areas in March. If we get a good rain this week to dissolve, the pre-emergent mowing will begin on the 7th; otherwise, it will begin on the 14th.
- Since spring has come early this year, we are attempting to move the pine needle installation up to the middle of March.
- Several homeowners have done additional seeding and fertilizing over the winter allowing their lawns to stay greener through this mild winter. We will consider a winter fertilizer application in next year's budget. If a homeowner chooses to apply additional fertilizer or lawn maintenance other than the designated weekly maintenance, it is the homeowner's responsibility.
- The brown in the lawns is mostly Bermuda grass, and the weeds were killed when we had additional weed killer applied to the lawns. Landscaping companies indicated that last year was especially bad for weeds due to the excessive rain. Bermuda grass does not begin to green up until ground temperatures are above 55 degrees.
- We have an irrigation company now handling the sprinkler. We are in the process of changing the sprinkler heads from spray heads to rotor-type heads as they are more water efficient. Sprinkling times were reduced last year as we were using too much water, and much of it was running off into the streets. Lawn irrigation no longer has reduced water rates. Irrigation water is now the same cost as drinking water.
- Replacement of shrubs was limited last year due to removing several large trees. We should get back on track this year with shrub and tree replacement.
- Pine needles around the mailboxes are going to be replaced with bark chips. Several years ago, pine needles were placed around the mailbox posts to prevent weed eaters from damaging the posts. We are changing to bark chips as they will stay in place better and last longer than pine needles.

Noise

Noise at Orchard Knob is generally not an issue, but we have recently had a couple of complaints. We suggest you talk to the offender if there is a noise issue. If this does not solve the issue, the city encourages you to contact the High Point police department.

Noise Violations (336) 883-3224

High Point Noise Ordinance

To ensure public peace, the city enforces a noise ordinance. You are encouraged to call the High Point Police to complain about noise ordinance violations. This ordinance prohibits anyone from making unreasonably loud, disturbing noises caused by:

- **Radios, sound producing or amplifying devices that annoy or disturb, particularly between the hours of 11:00 p.m. and 7:00 a.m.**
- **Pets or animals cause frequent or continuous noise.**
- **Motor vehicles creating loud, unnecessary noise.**
- **Building construction or demolition between the hours of 10:00 p.m. and 7:00 a.m., except by permit.**
- **Loudspeakers or amplifiers used for commercial purposes.**

Please review the Orchard Knob Rules and Regulations for specifics on

- Architectural Control
- Vehicles
- Animals

Rules and regulations can be found on the Orchard Knob Website under documents <https://orchardknobhoa.com/documents/>