



Meadow Park April 2021 Newsletter



The B.R.H.C. office will be closing at noon on April 2, 2021 in observance of Good Friday.

Upcoming Meetings

The Big Rapids Housing Commission meeting will be held on Thursday, April 8, 2021, at 9 a.m. with meeting details to be determined. Agendas will be posted at the main office, and Housing Commission Facebook page.

COVID-19 Operations Update

Big Rapids Housing Commission continues to take extra precautions to help prevent the spread of COVID-19. Community rooms and the lobby will remain closed for the safety of all residents. Please make sure you continue to call in all repairs (work orders), however, work orders will be completed as necessary only.

Before a maintenance person enters your apartment to complete a work order, we will ask if you or anyone in your household is sick. As a precaution we are asking residents to leave your apartment if possible or move to another room during the completion of the work order.

Rent is still due and payable by 8:00 AM on Monday, April 12, 2021, however if you have a loss of income and cannot pay rent due to this crisis you must contact the office for additional instructions. If you are signed up for electronic rent the rent will transfer on April 6, 2021. Residents can put their rent and other items in the tenant drop box which will continue to be checked on a daily basis.

Spring Clean Up

On Tuesday, April 20, 2021 we will be having Spring Clean-Up. On this day you may place any large items out for pick up & we will pick them up free of charge. It is your responsibility to transport items to the curb by noon.

Springtime Reminders

Please do not allow your children to climb the fences as this is damaging the fences and your children could get seriously injured by doing this. Please keep the areas around your unit debris/clutter free, and remind your children to throw away wrappers, trash, papers etc. into the garbage.

DO NOT feed the animals!! It attracts all kinds of critters, including skunks. One tenant may call to complain of skunks while the neighbor next door is throwing out all kinds of food for them. Please work together to keep the wild animals away!

Do NOT flush wipes

Please be reminded that wipes are not flushable! Even if the package claims they are sewer safe and flushable, they **ARE NOT** and this eventually leads to clogged sewer lines. A charge will apply if personal wipes are found to be the cause of your sewer back up.

Laundry Room Reminders

Please be reminded to clean up behind yourself in the laundry room. It is necessary to dispose of any used dryer sheets and clean the lint catcher when finished. In addition, children are not allowed in the laundry rooms unattended and the exterior laundry room doors must remain closed.

Annual Inspections - Postponed

Annual Inspections will NOT take place in April, however, please be prepared to have your apartment inspected sometime this year. As a reminder, your lease states:

LEASE AGREEMENT: 16 - TENANT CARE AND CONDITION OF PREMISES

Tenant agrees not to cause, allow or permit any waste, misuse or neglect of the premises and shall pay for any damages so caused. During the term of this lease, the tenant shall keep the premises in good repair to the full extent prescribed by law and in good and sanity condition free of pests or debris or clutter often associated as a fire hazard.

Illegal Drug Use

Please be advised that even though Proposal 1 passed, Big Rapids Housing Commission continues to prohibit the use of all illegal drugs, including marijuana, regardless if you have a medical marijuana card. Marijuana is still against federal law and therefore not allowed in any of our apartment complexes because our funding and/or rules are federal. If you believe illegal drug activity is occurring, please call the office at (231) 796-8689.

Reminders and Lawn Maintenance

Please move patio furniture, grills, tables, bikes, toys, etc. when you see the mowers around the complex. Please remind your children not to hang on the clotheslines, stand on picnic tables, and to respect neighbors' personal property and belongings. Any flowerbeds that are not being properly maintained by the residents will be mowed down. Charcoal lighter fluid should be stored in the shed.

Maintenance Treatment for Bed Bugs- Postponed until further notice.

Leave Pest Control to the Professionals

NEVER USE THESE PRODUCTS IN YOUR APARTMENT FOR PEST CONTROL! The Housing Commission has a pest control contract that will resolve pest issues. By using these products you are increasing the problem and hindering the treatment process. Any suspicious bugs should be placed in a Ziploc baggie and brought to the office immediately for identification.

