Irrigation Systems, Landscaping & Seawall Procedures
(Residential and Commercial)

Working together to keep Hot Springs Village beautiful, the Architectural Control Committee (A.C.C.) and Community overall appreciate that your new system, landscaping and/or seawall is aesthetically pleasing.

Irrigation Systems Permits

The following procedures are important, *please read all before submitting your application.*

1. Irrigation systems must comply with the Arkansas State Plumbing code. A copy of the initial test results must be submitted to the HSV Water Department within 10 days of completion.
2. Only single systems are accepted.
3. Arkansas State Master Plumber is required to make the connection from the water service line to the RPZ valve.
4. A schematic diagram is required displaying all components, the model number of the approved RPZ value, elevations, and other information indicating compliance with the Arkansas Plumbing Code (and National Electric Code, if an automatic system is used) is required.
5. The RPZ value must have quarter turn ball valves and (3) three flare adapters (with caps) for test cocks.
6. The property owner is responsible for the adequate protection of the RPZ value to prevent freezing.
7. All piping under driveways must be installed in a sleeve.
8. RPZ sizing approval by Public Works for commercial projects is mandatory.

Reduced Pressure Zone Valve Testing

The Hot Springs Village Water Department wants to remind all customers that have underground sprinkler systems or specialized plumbing fixtures, to schedule a certified tester to perform the annual test on the reduced pressure zone valve (RPZ). According to the Arkansas State Plumbing Code, Sec. 312.9, all RPZ valves must be tested annually to help keep the public water system safe and prevent contamination of the potable water.

Spring is good time to have the RPZ tested, since it has been out of service during the winter months.

To obtain a list of certified RPZ tester, contact the Hot Springs Village Public Works Department at 501-922-5524, 501-922-5528 or 501-922-5523.
Landscaping Permit

The following procedures are important, please read all before submitting your application.

Landscaping permits ARE required for the following projects:

- Initial installation of trees, shrubs, mulch (stone, bark, gravel, etc.) and/or grass.
- Construction of retaining walls, planters and grade level concrete flat work.
- Installation of culverts, landscaping or gravel in road right of way requires joint approval from Public Works. The Public Works Department is not responsible for maintenance of culverts or landscaping installed by property owners.

Landscaping permits are NOT required for these projects:

- Planting or removal of trees.
- Re-planting or removal of shrubs or flowers from the initial landscape design.
- Maintenance of existing bark, mulch, grasses and/or gravel.

1. Landscape permit requests will be reviewed by the A.C.C. and considered on their own merits and should include a detailed as-built plot outlining the property lines; set-backs and easements.
2. If the landscaping is on Common Property and/or crosses or uses Common Property during landscape work a Common Property and Forest Committee permit is also required and should be posted on the jobsite.
3. Landscaping materials must be cleaned up daily as well as before final inspection.
4. All storm drainage must be kept open during and after work has been completed. Blocking or impeding road traffic flow in all lanes by material is not allowed.
5. Stockpiling of materials is prohibited on the street right of way or on any adjacent un-improved properties or Common Property.
6. Any spraying or application of chemicals in and around HSV lakes must be approved by the Lakes Manager.
7. Landscape designs and installations have to ensure that all vehicles entering into public roads have a visibility triangle of 30 feet with a clear line of sight; (Protective Covenant #17 applies).
8. Proper drainage shall be established to contain rainwater in the ditches along the side of the road, and, adequate retaining provisions on the boundaries of each lot shall be maintained to minimize runoff.
9. If landscaping up to a property line, the landscaping materials must have permanent erosion control measures to prevent materials washing into lakes or golf courses. A permeable membrane is required under all landscaping material within 20 feet of a golf course or lake lot.

Seawall Permits

The following procedures are important, please read all before submitting your application.

1. A current survey and plot plan are required showing the location of the seawall at the shoreline as well as a cross sectional view of the seawall showing materials and type of construction.
2. Seawalls must be constructed from property line to property line unless there is a written waiver from the A.C.C. In the event other seawalls are in place on adjacent property, the seawalls must be connected.

3. Construction of seawalls is not allowed on Common Property; however, seawalls may be constructed on limited common property in Townhouse Areas with the approval of the A.C.C.

4. Seawalls may not be constructed beyond the shoreline at normal pool level. Maximum height is (36) thirty-six inches.

**Disclaimer:** No warranty is made or implied to any individual property owner that the actions of the A.C.C. in the approval process to obtain a HSV Permit is intended as a tacit approval of the quality, safety, desirability or suitability of such design or construction.

**Administrative Fines:** Fines will be imposed by the Hot Springs Village POA for failure to obtain the proper permit (prior to any work being performed) of $150.00 for any single incident infraction with a $25.00 per day fine for ongoing infractions.

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