



## **Roads & Grounds**

**April 27, 2024**

- The roads are in good shape, overall.
- There have been a few fallen trees after spring storms. Volunteers once again have been able to clear them which helps R&G budget. Kevin Collins Tree Service also removed one that was leaning precariously over Forest.
- Seth Trinkle has continued monthly inspections and maintenance of road ditches and culverts. The rain event 2 weeks ago caused considerable erosion of Emerald Ct and Fisk's driveway. Seth's crew quickly repaired the problem and we posted a community reminder for homeowners to be vigilant about their leaves and landscaping debris that flow down to the roads. Seth literally fights an uphill battle after the annual leaf blowing effort each fall—homeowners should keep their leaves from falling back down into the ditches and culverts from their lots. He is responsible for the roads and culverts but not residential property.
- Seth Trinkle will be mowing community grassy areas again this season. He has expressed interest in adding road grading and tree removal to his list of services for us. Ed Wagler has done an outstanding job with the grading of roads for decades (twice per year). Tree removal is usually done by Kevin Collins (or Blue Stone) depending on the scope of the problem. We remain happy with Seth's work but no decisions have been made. This is an on-going conversation.
- After reaching out to neighbors of SCE who live on Elkins, we started another round of email requests to Monroe County requesting they pave Elkins, at least to the mailboxes. We have cited how unsafe the road is to navigate, the increased amount of traffic, the health hazards of gravel dust, the lack of county services despite our property taxes. Once again, they say they do not have the budget to extend the blacktop. We will continue to remind them of our needs as we have over the past several years.

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