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Who Do I Call?

Trees — “Hangers” and “Leaners” after a Storm

After a storm, such as Hurricane Dorian that blew through Bald Head Island in September 2019, it’s always a good time to remind property owners about the proper process for handling trees and limbs that may be leaning or have fallen.

Ascertain if affected trees are on your property:

1. If affected trees are on your property and pose an “imminent danger” risk to humans or property, email photographs to Fran Pagliaro at Fran@BaldHeadAssociation.com and handle only those trees as necessary.
2. If affected trees are on your property but pose no “imminent danger,” contact ARC Coordinator Fran Pagliaro at 910-457-4676, ext. 22 or Fran@BaldHeadAssociation.com for approval **BEFORE** any trimming or cutting begins. Fran will facilitate the necessary Village approvals with Stephen Boyett.
3. If limbs and small trees are on your property and meet the Design Guidelines for trimming with no approval, you can proceed. BHA encourages having a natural habitat.

The Design Guidelines state, “ARC review and approval is required before the removal of trees 3 inches in diameter measured 48 inches along the trunk from ground level, tree limbs of 3 inches or more in diameter, clustered growth vegetation 2 square feet or more at ground level, regardless of branching habits or diameter of the branches. Within the understory, ARC approval is also required to remove vegetation 1 inch or greater in diameter measured 48 inches along the trunk from ground level.”

If affected trees are NOT on your property:

1. If trees are on BHA Common Area (for example, the area between your lot and the golf course that is owned by BHA), the BHA Board of Directors must approve any trimming or cutting and, if approved, BHA will facilitate the work. Since BHA owns this property, BHA Customer Relations Associate Pam Rainey manages all landscaping done on BHA Common Area. Contact her at 910-457-4676, ext. 24 or PamR@BaldHeadAssociation.com.
2. If trees are in “drip-line” neighborhoods (Keeper’s Landing, Sumner’s Crescent and Surfman’s Walk), BHA owns all property outside of the drip line from your roof. All landscaping work is facilitated by Pam Rainey. Contact her at 910-457-4676, ext. 24 or PamR@BaldHeadAssociation.com.
3. If tree work is done by owners in these areas, fines will be assessed.