

Huntington Trails – April 2026

NOTICE:

- PLEASE return your proxy for the **Special Member Meeting on April 27th**.
- Join us for our **quarterly Board Meeting on April 20th at 6:00pm at 1024 Wyndham Way**.
- We hope to begin tree trimming on April 15th based on weather.
- New mulch in the islands and along the back wall will be installed after the trees are completed.

Spring Cleaning:

This past winter's cold snap took an unusual toll on many of our landscapes, and it's clear that some of our plants and lawns are still feeling the effects. Spring is the perfect time for a fresh start. As the weather warms, we have a great opportunity as a community to restore the beauty that makes our neighborhood so inviting. Whether it's replacing frost-damaged plants, adding a few new flowers, or simply tidying up beds and trimming back what didn't survive, even small efforts can make a noticeable difference.

Keeping our landscaping vibrant not only enhances curb appeal but also reflects the pride we all share in our community. If you've been meaning to refresh your yard, now is a great time to do so — and you might even discover some new plant varieties that thrive even better in our climate. Let's work together to bring our neighborhood back to its lush, welcoming best and make this season one of renewal and color for everyone to enjoy.

NOTE: ALL INTERIOR LANDSCAPING ALONG THE WALL ON MARSHALL STREET and GREEN SPRINGS DRIVE SHOULD BE CUT AT LEAST ONE FOOT OFF THE WALL TO PREVENT MOLD AND PHYSICAL DAMAGE TO THE WALL AND TO PREPARE FOR PAINTING LATER THIS YEAR.

Safety Harbor Public Works:

Please review these links that describe how to properly deal with leaves and stormwater runoff on your property.

[Leaf Cleanup](#), [Illicit Discharge](#) and [Stormwater](#). **Please do NOT blow leaves or yard debris into the street or our islands.**

Quarterly Dues:

- Our dues are \$380 per quarter for 2026.
- Invoices were processed on April 1 and are due by April 30.

NOTE: The board will be voting on late fees for delinquent dues at the upcoming April 20th meeting.

Dues can be setup as a recurring payment by eCheck or Credit Card on <https://amtec.cincwebaxis.com/>.

Board and Ameri-Tech drive arounds:

The Board of Directors and Dayna from Ameri-Tech are driving the community regularly, reviewing properties for Covenant Violations. [2017RevisedDeedsandCovenantsHuntingtonTrails ocred.pdf](#)

A huge thank you to our residents who have taken care of their driveways, sidewalks, mailboxes and more.

Please help us to keep our community beautiful and safe!
If you see something, please let us know!

Huntington Trails Board task list:

We are working on scheduling the following maintenance items in the coming months:

- Repair broken or sunken curbs
- Grind sidewalks and replace several sidewalk sections that cannot be ground.
- Painting Stop Bars (white bars at each stop sign)
- Paint exterior wall and wrought iron in late fall

If you see something in the community that needs attention, please let us know.

Board Volunteers

Your opinion/voice matters. Join us in helping our community thrive!

We have Board meetings quarterly in January, April, July and October
1 Budget Workshop in September and 1 Budget, Annual, Organizational Meeting in November

Email: dcannistraci@ameritechmail.com for more information

Storm Drains are not Trash Cans for falling Leaves.



Choose one of these options for disposal:

Keep leaves out of the streets, curbs, storm drains, and off of the sidewalks.

Leaves clog storm drains which can cause flooding during rain events. Leaves can rot inside of storm drains and cause algae blooms that harm aquatic life.



Public Works
(727) 724-1550



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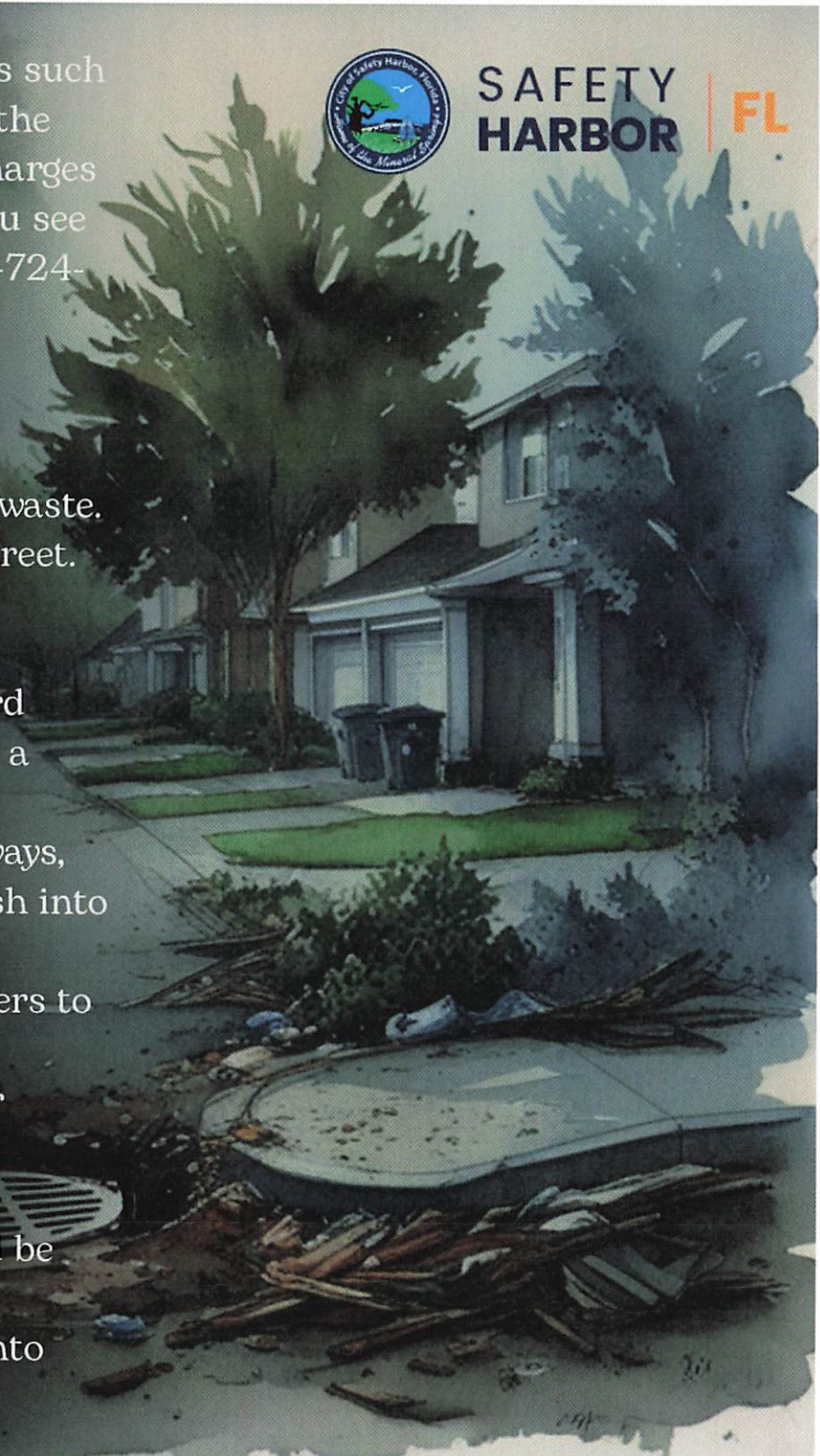


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Illicit Discharges not only cause water quality issues such as algae blooms and fish kills, but they can also be the leading source of clogged storm drains. Illicit Discharges are a Code of Ordinances Sec. 24.69 Violation. If you see an illicit discharge, contact Code Enforcement, 727-724-1555, ext. 1705, or code@cityofsafetyharbor.com

Help protect our stormwater systems by:

- Picking up pet waste.
- Containerizing grass clippings, leaves, and yard waste.
- Not discharging a pool directly to the curb or street. Discharge in a grassy area at least 10' from the roadway.
- Not discharging downspouts, pool drains, or yard underdrains directly to the street. Discharge in a grassy area at least 10' from the roadway.
- Cleaning-up any dirt, oil, and debris from driveways, sidewalks, and parking areas so they do not wash into the stormwater system during rain events.
- Covering grease storage containers and dumpsters to avoid overflows and leaks.
- Not washing floors, decks, kitchen equipment or dump mop buckets and chemicals onto paved surfaces.
- Checking your sewer clean-out cap. This should be closed and secure to avoid any sanitary sewer overflows and to prevent inflow of stormwater into the sanitary sewer system.



What is Stormwater?

Stormwater runoff occurs when precipitation from rain flows over the ground. Impervious surfaces like driveways, sidewalks, and streets prevent stormwater from naturally soaking into the ground.

Why is there a concern about Stormwater quality?

Stormwater can pick up debris, chemicals, dirt and other pollutants and flow into a storm sewer system that discharges to local waterbodies. The City is mandated to annually report to the Florida Department of Environmental Protection on Stormwater protection, treatment, and water quality.

What does lawn care and pet waste have to do with Stormwater pollution?

Excess fertilizers and pesticides applied to lawns and gardens wash off, are carried through the storm sewer system, and pollute the waterbodies. Yard clippings (grass, brush, etc.) and leaves can wash into storm drains and can choke, suffocate, or disable aquatic life. Be sure to cover piles of dirt or mulch being used in landscaping projects. Do not over fertilize or use pesticides during a forecasted rain event. Leaving pet waste on the ground increase public health risks by allowing harmful bacteria and nutrients to wash into the storm drain and eventually into local waterbodies. Pinellas County does have a Fertilizer Ordinance that bans the sale and use of certain fertilizers from June 1st – September 30th.

I am a commercial property owner and only have concrete sidewalks and an asphalt parking lot; do any of the Stormwater issues really affect me?

Dirt, oil, and debris that collect in parking lots and paved areas can be washed into the storm sewer system and enter local waterbodies. Sweep up litter and debris from sidewalks, driveways and parking lots, especially around storm drains. Cover grease storage and dumpsters and keep them clean to avoid leaks. Do not wash off floors or decks, kitchen equipment, or dump mop buckets or other chemicals onto paved surfaces as this contaminates water is washed into the storm sewer system and enters local waterbodies.

How can washing my car affect Stormwater runoff?

Washing your car on an impervious surface (i.e. concrete and asphalt) can send detergents and other contaminants through the storm sewer system. Use a commercial car wash as their water is drained to a waste water treatment facility, or wash your car on your yard so the water percolates into the ground.

Why can't I drain my pool into the street?

The chemicals in chlorinated and saltwater pools can kill fish and pollute the water. Drain treated pool water onto a grassy or planted area where the water can be absorbed by the soil and dechlorinate the water. Any pool care company can test and neutralize the pool water.

What is an illicit discharge and what are the consequences?

An illicit discharge is the discharge of pollutants or non-storm water materials into a storm sewer system via overland flow, direct dumping, or illicit connections. This means that pollutants of any kind, including leaves, grass clippings, tree trimmings and other yard waste may not be blown or swept to the street, gutter or storm drain. There are exceptions, such as water used for firefighting. City of Safety Harbor Code of Ordinances, **Chapter 24, Article VII, Section 24.69, 24.70 & 24.72 and Chapter I, Section 1.12** provides for definitions of illicit discharge and states fines may be incurred up to \$500 per day. The City also falls under Pinellas County Stormwater Regulation. Pinellas County's Stormwater ordinance, **Article VI, Chapter 58**, is intended to protect water quality and natural habitats. Under the County's ordinance, violators may be fined up to \$10,000 per day, and payment for cleanup costs may be required.

Who can I call to report an illicit discharge?

Contact City of Safety Harbor Code Enforcement at **727.724.1555**. You may also call Pinellas County's Watershed Management automated stormwater watch line at **727.464.5060**.

Where can I find more information?

Information can be found at the following websites:

[City of Safety Harbor - Stormwater Information](#)

[Pinellas County - Watershed](#)

[Pinellas County - Fertilizer FAQs](#)

[FDEP - Stormwater](#)

[EPA - NPDES Information](#)

[Tampa Bay Estuary](#)

[SWFWMD](#)

[Florida Friendly Landscaping](#)

[Bay Soundings](#)

Always Remember.... **When it Rains, It Drains.**