

BROOKLINE HOA

brookline.hoa.board@gmail.com

Dear Brookline Owners –

We thank all of the Brookline Residents who participated in the HOA TV Survey. The majority of the respondents voted in favor of terminating the HOA paid TV Services and reducing the HOA Fees.

As a reminder, Brookline HOA pays \$68,850.48 per year to Dish Network for America's Top 200 package. That's \$26.56/unit that is part of the monthly HOA dues for cable TV.

Based on the feedback from the community residents the HOA Board has agreed to terminate the HOA paid TV Services effective 06/30/2020 and will reduce the HOA Fees to \$145 per month starting 07/01/2020. The extra savings will be used to supplement our current savings and build a more robust reserve account. The reserve account is used for larger maintenance projects looming on the horizon e.g. asphalt, concrete, roofing, paint and stucco repairs. This is done with the goal in mind avoiding the need to increase the HOA Fees in 2021.

As an association Board we agreed with the feedback from owners that providing TV service adds value to the community. To this end we are installing HD antennas on every building at Brookline. The one-time cost (Approximately \$500 per building) for the HOA to install these antennas is negligible when compared to our current, recurring contract of \$68,850.48 per year.

Owners will continue to have the option for DISH NETWORK service. Owners who subscribe to DISH NETWORK will not need to worry about maintenance to the single dish that is already installed on each building.

IMPORTANT THINGS TO NOTE:

- The HOA will NOT be renewing the bulk DISH NETWORK contract when it expires 06/30/2020.
- The HOA will be installing HD TV Antennas on each building, which will be accessible to ANY resident who wants to receive free over the air HD TV channels.
- If you have upgraded your TV Services beyond the basic TV services that the HOA provides, and you do not wish to keep that service you MUST call DISH NETWORK at 800-454-0843. If you do not call and cancel, DISH NETWORK will begin charging you the full amount of your monthly service including the American Top 200 pricing, starting 07/01/2020
- If you currently have an upgraded TV package (Dish Network is billing you extra each month) and you wish to continue using DISH NETWORK at your own personal costs, you will need to call DISH NETWORK at 800-454-0843 to negotiate a new personal TV Account.

- If you have never upgraded your TV service and want to start a new personal account with Dish Network, you must call 800-333-3474.
- If you wish to connect to the HD antenna being installed, email brookline.hoa.board@gmail.com before 06/25/2020 so we know to disconnect your unit from the satellite and connect you to the antenna on your building. This service is provided by the HOA, there will be no monthly fee associated with this service.
- If you are switching over to the HOA provided TV Antennas you will need to turn in your Dish Network receiver to the worker that comes to connect you to the TV antenna.

Attached to below you will find additional online TV alternatives that we've compiled. While the decision and research required were time intensive, we are pleased that the decision provides owners with the following benefits and choices:

- Various live TV internet streaming options (i.e. YoutubeTV, Sling, DISH NETWORK NOW, Hulu Live TV, or Philo. Most of these options range between \$16 and \$50 a month.)
- The ability to continue to subscribe to satellite DISH NETWORK
- No-cost HD local programs
- Decreased overall HOA costs
- Increase reserve savings

The following is a list of resources and anticipated questions, but please feel free to submit any additional questions or concerns that we may be able to answer or resolve.

RESOURCES

- Phone number to individually subscribe to DISH NETWORK: _____
- Phone number for DISH NETWORK to cancel service: _____
- Spreadsheet comparing TV options: [Link](#)

FAQ

Q: We're saving \$26.56 per unit per month by discontinuing Dish Network, but the HOA due is only being reduced by \$15. Where is the other \$11.56 going?

A: The extra \$11.56 will be applied to our reserve fund ensuring that we are better prepared to cover long-term costs, such as repairs and re-roofing.

Q: How do I connect to the HD antenna channels?

A: If you would like to connect to the HD antenna, please email brookline.hoa.board@gmail.com by 06/25/2020. We will disconnect the coaxial cable serving your unit from the DISH NETWORK Satellite and connect it to the HD Antenna. There is no cost for this service. Once you are connected to the HD Antenna you will need to connect your TV directly to the coaxial cable jacks in your home and change your TV input

to the correct input, then tell the TV to scan or auto program to locate and save the available over the air channels.

Q: What channels do I get from the free HD antenna option?

A: Several channels will come through on the HD antenna, at no cost to the homeowner. Channels include CBS Ch2, ABC Ch4, KSL Ch5, PBS Ch7, Telemundo Ch10, BYUtv Ch11, Fox13, and KJZZ14. If you would like to connect to the HD antenna, please email brookline.hoa.board@gmail.com by 06/25/2020.

Q: How do I connect to one of the live TV internet streaming options (i.e. YoutubeTV, Sling, DISH NETWORK NOW, Hulu Live TV, or Philo)?

A: These services require a SmartTV, Roku, Chromecast, Amazon Firestick, Apple TV, or similar streaming device to run the channels on your TV; these streaming devices do a similar job that your DISH NETWORK receiver currently does. If you do not already have one of these streaming devices, you will need to buy one that is compatible with the live TV service you want to subscribe to, and then connect it to your TV. Next, you will need to subscribe to the service by creating an account on their website. You will use this account information on your streaming device to watch live TV.

Q: Can I connect to the HD antenna and subscribe to DISH NETWORK at the same time?

No, there is only one TV cable into your unit, and it can be attached to either the HD antenna or the DISH NETWORK satellite, but not both at the same time.

Q: Can I connect to the HD antenna and subscribe to an internet live TV streaming service at the same time?

Yes, you can connect to the HD antenna and a streaming service at the same time.