



Dear Members:

January 17, 2024

I hope you and your family had a wonderful Christmas and New Year Holiday. It's hard to believe 2024 is here. Except for the past several days, the weather has been mild. That has obviously changed with the 20+ inches of snow that recently dropped. This memo will attempt to bring you up to speed on a few items pertaining to our community.

Winter Months and Sledding – Please be careful when driving through the neighborhood during the winter months, particularly on Country Club Blvd. near the hill across from the lake, where adults and children often sled. With many cars along the road at the top of the hill, there are blind spots.

Geese - We will continue to see geese come and go at both lakes this winter. The increase in geese invites yard damage, waste droppings, and noise. We get several complaints annually from CCOA residents, especially those who live on or near the lake. As a result, we have 7-8 individuals each year located around the lakes that have been issued Pyrotechnic Pistols during defined times of day. These pistols are used to fire two types of noise-scare cartridges, Bird Bangers and Screammers. Both the City of Clive and West Des Moines are aware of our procedures. Special Permits to shoot these cartridges are not required. Again, these pistols do not fire bullets, they only produce noise to scare away the geese.

Construction and Remodeling projects – these projects have slowed considerably due to winter. As you plan for 2024 projects, please note that Board approval is required for all resident roof replacements, erosion controls pads, sheds, solar panels, swimming pools and fencing. The Architectural Review Form can be found on the website under information/rules and procedures. This form must be completed and submitted by residents prior to remodeling. The form can be found on our website, at www.clivecoa.org/Information/Rules and Procedures. Alternatively, if you have any questions about finding, completing, or submitting this form, please contact Lisa Logsdon hoamanagement@outlook.com

Country Club Roads - Recently the City of Clive increased available funding for road replacement and repairs. Funding jumped from \$3.0M to \$4.5M, a 50% increase. This is welcome news! Country Club Blvd could get attention sooner than planned. Originally it was determined an overlay would not work on most of our roads due to the original concrete grade installed 30 plus years ago. There has been a new product introduced that might be a better alternative than tearing out and replacing existing concrete. This would also be an overlay but the characteristics of the product are entirely different. When more information becomes available, it will be shared with all.

Special Thanks - I want to thank current board members, Craig Rowles, Paul Drey, Rick Parrino, Barb Beatty, Deb Prust, Nancy Doll and departed board members, Rhonda Ward and Dan Thaden for their efforts and contributions this past year. Our association is fortunate to have Lisa and Dale Logston handling day-to-day management – it's not easy. Thanks to both of You!!

Financial position – Although our financial position is strong, we continue to focus on expense management. We finished 2023 slightly ahead of budget, which is positive. Politely, we ask that you submit your 2024 dues by January 31, 2024.

Wishing you a wonderful and blessed 2024!

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