Glenmont Commons Homeowners Association

Morris Plains, NJ 07950

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RE: Glenmont Community Pool Plans for 2020 during Covid-19 pandemic

Dear Glenmont Commons Homeowners and Neighbors:

Most important, we hope this note finds you, your family and friends safe and healthy. These are unprecedented times which require extra care and caution from all of us - both as individuals and community members.

Glenmont Commons HOA considers the well-being of all its members to be an important objective. Despite the pandemic, most of the community's planned activities are being undertaken without missing a beat. Our landscape maintenance, which includes spring cleanup, and lawn sprinkler systems activation, etc. are being done. The Phase 1 of replacement of the dead bushes was executed as per plan.

Regarding the decision to open the Swimming Pool, the Board has been waiting for the policies, standards and guidelines from **Center for Disease Control (CDC)** and **NJ State Department of Health Guidelines**. Just last week, we received the notification. The policies are very stringent and require pool facilities operators to implement a **COVID-19 Pool Operation Prevention Plan (CPOPP)**, which requires lifeguards with additional Covid-19 certification, Personal Protective Equipment (PPE), screening for Covid-19 symptoms to allow entry, enforced social distancing which reduces allowed capacity, additional sanitization protocols, prohibiting members from sharing furniture and equipment, new signage and messaging, and establishing contact tracing and reporting protocols.

The above list is not exhaustive. For complete details, please check this NJ State Website https://nj.gov/health/ceohs/documents/phss/Guidance for Operating Pool Bathing Facilities During COVID-19.pdf

After carefully reviewing these policies and taking input from our property management and legal experts, it became clear to the Board that it is not possible to implement these policies without incurring high operating cost, accepting high risk of liability and most importantly, denying the pool for a large number of members due to the Social Distancing policies. So, in the best interest of all homeowners, the Board has decided not to open the pool for the year 2020.

Even though the pool will be closed, we are ensuring that periodic maintenance is done (with a reduced cost contract), to keep the pool in great shape for the next summer.

It is not an easy decision to make, but the Board is confident that it is the right decision.

If you have any questions, as always, please feel free to reach out via Cedarcrest.

Once again, we wish all our friends and neighbors safety and the very best of health during this challenging time.

Best regards,

Glenmont Commons Homeowners Association Board of Directors