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Re: Maintenance of Golf Course Lakes

Many of you are aware that in recent months the lakes on the Golf course have become overgrown with vegetation. Several residents with homes that border the Golf course have complained to the HOA and requested that the HOA treat the Golf course lakes.

Our Master Declaration states that the Foundation is responsible for the maintenance of common areas. It should be noted that the lakes on the Golf course do not belong to the HOA nor are they common areas. They are the responsibility of the Golf course owner. Although many residents may want the HOA to treat the Golf course lakes, our governing documents do not provide the HOA with any ownership or maintenance responsibility of the Golf course lakes. In addition to lake water treatments, **the individual homeowners of the HOA cannot be responsible for costs to maintain the lake banks, weirs, pumps and lake interconnecting pipes within the Golf course.**

We have searched available records at Manatee County and to date, all documents that have been located (permits, plats, easements, as-built plans, covenants, club deeds, etc.) support the developer's original permit applications to Manatee County that the stormwater management system within the Golf course was to be maintained by the Golf course.

If a legal document is identified that states otherwise, the HOA will earnestly evaluate that document and act accordingly. Until such a document is identified, the HOA has no obligation or authority to maintain any portion of Golf course property. The Golf course owner needs to manage and maintain all aspects of the lakes, pumps and pipes located within the Golf course.

RW HOA Board