ELEC Meeting Minutes for January 31, 2022

The Meeting took place in the Community Room. Present were Larry Rosenblum, Forrest Gist, and Bob Garsha.

We discussed the recent leak in apartment 606. Should a volunteer team be created to support any of our residents in another event that is Unit related? Our consensus was that it is up to the Board and is not an ELEC item. The Directional signs were discussed and tabled as it is now up to the Board to choose the next steps. Forrest thought the recent talk by Patti Garsha went well, and he reminded us the pressure is on us to do an excellent job on future presentations. Forrest also said this is an ideal place to be as we now have a high standard to follow.

We are all pleased that Bob Steele has progressed in dissecting the building plans. Information regarding shut-off valves and basic Unit infrastructure information will be getting to the residents. Larry and Forrest suggested that to help Bob Steele, a resident survey/request form should be sent to the residents to cooperate with Bob's work. We feel that will help Bob's work on the Units move along more quickly as he and or a CMI employee like Brian can then have the correct information and provide each resident with a strategy to use in water or other related problem.

Larry said we could create paper binders to be kept in the ELEC 1 R cabinets and at the Concierge desk for quick access by any service team. Forrest suggested a more comprehensive list of plumbers and other certified service people be made. And to continue and enhance the cooperative relationship we have with Bob.

We discussed Tip 7 going out Caring for Your Pet During a Disaster and credited Larry with a job well done. Bob suggested asking Michele Heckman to help with the layout before the release date.

Larry compiled some procedures for dealing with human waste when faced with the building's plumbing no longer functioning in the event of a natural disaster. Larry said this will always start with the residents having a two-bucket system in their Unit. We discussed eventual disposal. Larry suggested repurposing one of our recycling dumpsters to hold the waste. By Larry's calculation, five days' worth of waste can be held in one. Provided it is all in sealed bags before being brought downstairs. We recognize this repurposed dumpster will be heavy for a garbage truck when it is finally disposed of. Bob suggested smaller airtight containers might be used for this purpose. He showed Forrest and Larry pictures of the area surrounding the dumpster that holds the chute garbage. Is this a possible storage place for a lighter load to be eventually hauled away? Forrest suggested we create a binder that has our top 10 recommendations to consider in the event of a disaster. Finally, we discussed sharing procedures among Pearl District buildings to all use and improve existing systems. Larry has been monitoring any information on the Slack channel. Larry has also posted some of our documents and asked for a sharing of information but so far, no responses.

Larry once again asked us to help fill out our FAQ.

Forrest pointed out it's a new year, and why don't we set ourselves a timeline that by December 2022, we have a thorough binder of emergency procedures in place. Also, our former ELEC team lead, Eric Lipanovich, lives in a building that has been doing this for twenty-odd years. Eric gave Larry a copy of their emergency plan. He will review it and see if portions can be adapted for our purposes. Forrest will review the current emergency manual to assess which portions need updating and which are still usable.

Bob suggested talking to John Warner to see a master list of Pearl District emergency team captains we could then contact. We hope to gather in person or via zoom with other Pearl District Emergency leadership teams. Forrest will be our spokesperson at the February Board Meeting, and besides his presentation, he will watch for opportunities during the meeting to continue any dialogue about the things we discussed.

We agreed to follow up Patti Garsha's s talk with quarterly presentations. One possibility we discussed was having an insurance agent such as Vern Newcomb, who handles the building's insurance, speak to the residents on the types of coverage Unit owners should have for their residences. We would provide Vern Newcomb with an outline of questions, and he could also make suggestions on topics. The talk might also include what kinds of documents residents might need to have prepared to assist making a claim. We agreed to begin the work on our second presentation by March 1.

We spent a little time discussing the recent insurance vote held by the Board, and some discussion was on HOA dues and Reserve Budget.

Meeting was adjourned.