## CCOA Elections/Nominations Committee Report 2022 Dues Increase

The CCOA Board of Managers approved the ballot documents to be mailed to members in good standing at the September 21, 2021 Board meeting. The Elections/Nominations Committee met and prepared the ballot packets for mailing on October 4, 2021; the ballots were mailed the following day.

The committee plus Board appointed counter, Shari Olin, met on November 9, 2021, to verify the ballots received with the check-in list. Outer envelopes were then opened and the number of ballot envelopes matched with the number of lots on the outer envelope; once verified, the unopened ballot envelopes were placed in a common box. Committee members then proceeded to open the ballots and tally the votes. Tallies were then compared to the number of voting units represented on the master check in list.

An abnormality in the ballots received compared to the represented voting units was discovered. The following results were reported at the November 12<sup>th</sup> Board Meeting:

The vote to increase the sewer assessment to \$505.00 for 2022 received 113 votes in favor and 93 votes opposed. The vote to increase the HOA dues to \$730.00 resulted in 103 votes in favor and 103 votes opposed. Ten (10) spoiled ballots were also received. However, the physical ballot count (206 ballots turned in) did not match the number of lots indicated (205) on both the master check-in sheet and the return labels. In other words, there was one more vote than there should have been.

Based on the vote count of the physical ballots, 113/93 in favor of the increase to the sewer assessment; and 103/103 cast for the dues increase, it was determined that the one irregular ballot would not make a difference either way regarding the sewer assessments, but could tip the vote on the dues in either direction. CCOA attorney, David Firmin, was consulted and confirmed that voting again on the dues increase is the correct way to proceed.

The committee met again to prepare the ballot packets on November 15, 2021 and they were mailed the following day. The committee met December 18, 2021 to count the ballots of the second vote. The same procedures as outlined above were followed.

A total of 232 ballots were received.

Three (3) ballots were spoiled (unable to verify lot number); 229 ballots were counted.

The vote to increase the HOA Dues to \$730.00 received 95 votes in favor of the dues increase and 134 opposing the dues increase.

Respectfully Submitted,

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