

Response to Don Coleman Group

February 18, 2021

I am responding to your email dated February 15, 2021. I need to clarify for you that the letter I wrote to you previously was **not** solely my opinion but rather the response of all current board members. I consulted with each one, as well as, the Reserve Committee Chair who contacted Joel Tax, our reserve specialist who shared his advice as well.

You also raised concerns regarding the pandemic and its economic impact on our community. The 2021 budget was written, approved, and ratified during the pandemic. However, if any property owner in the Villages is having difficulty making their monthly dues payment due to COVID related reasons, they were informed on May 5, 2020 in a posting of a newsletter to the VGC website to contact us. We would need documentation regarding the reason for the request (loss of employment, etc.) prior to developing a plan with them.

Regarding the cost estimate for repairs of the pond, the \$50,000 - \$160,000 range for repairs is not just for draining and de-mucking, as you infer, but rather it is the estimate for complete repairs. According to the specialist consulted, we will not know the exact total estimate for repairs until the draining and de-mucking have occurred. I understand that you may have consulted with a pond specialist when you were the MPMA VGC President. If you have written information regarding this, including name and contact information, it would be most helpful if you could share this with the current board and reserve committee to assist us in making decisions regarding this issue.

We welcome your attendance at our board meeting, but we will not be voting on the motions you suggested in your email dated January 24, 2021. The Board will share your concerns regarding the reserve fund with the finance and reserve committees while the 2022 budget is being developed and they will report back to the Board. As I previously said, it is the Board's intention to hold Public Information Forums as part of the budget development and these will be advertised in village communications.

Respectfully,

Linda Olson, MPMA VGC President (on behalf of the MPMA VGC Board)

