

## **LIGHTHOUSE COVE UTILITIES INFORMATION**

Lighthouse Cove has its own Water and Waste Treatment Plants. Because of our location on the barrier island, city water and sewer are unavailable. Our plants are currently being managed by Accurate Utilities, Inc. The operation of these plants is approximately 18% of our budgeted operating expenses. It is in all of our best interests to act responsibly in our use of our water and, especially, our sewer. Periodically the technician handling LHC conducts tours of these facilities. Please let a Board member know if you are interested in joining the next tour.

### **WATER TREATMENT PLANT**

The Water Treatment plant is located on the south side of the community near the river. Accurate Utilities regularly collects samples of our water for lab testing for quality to submit monthly/quarterly/annually to the Department of Environmental Protection(DEP).

The lighthouse is not merely decorative; it is where our treated water is stored.

When we lose power on the south side, the water plant is offline and our water storage tank is not being replenished. If the water pressure drops below 20psi, it can cause a possible contamination of our water supply. If this happens, it may be necessary to activate a “Precautionary Boil Water Notice”, which will be emailed and hand-delivered. It will remain in effect for 72 hours or until testing of our water samples and the satisfactory completion of the bacteriological survey shows that the water is safe to drink.

**IN THE CASE OF A POWER FAILURE, ALL RESIDENTS SHOULD MINIMIZE THE USE OF WATER TO MAINTAIN WATER PRESSURE AS LONG AS POSSIBLE.**

### **WASTE TREATMENT PLANT**

The Waste Treatment plant is located at the front of the property, north of the clubhouse. Just to the west of the building is the drain field. This is a sensitive system and we need to be mindful of our use of it.

**PLEASE DO NOT PUT ANY FOREIGN MATTER DOWN YOUR DRAINS!** This includes, but is not limited to, grease, baby wipes, makeup wipes, feminine products, condoms, paint, paint cleaners, etc. Even flushable wipes are not really flushable! These items can get caught in the pump and require additional maintenance, even replacement. Paint and paint cleaners have required additional sludge removal, which is approximately \$1,800 per removal.

We can avoid additional maintenance cost by letting our family, guests, friends know not to throw anything down our drains. Our system is not designed for such items. Please be sure everyone in your unit is aware.

### **ELECTRIC**

In the case of a power outage in your unit, you must notify Florida Power and Light (FPL) individually. The north and south sides of Casseekee Trail are on different grids. Your primary phone number and/or FPL account number are required to report or check on the status of an outage. (1-800-4-OUTAGE or 1-800-468-8240 or online at FPL.com)

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