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Response to your May 7, 2024 letter

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Mike Williams [redacted] Fri, May 10, 2024 at 5:09 PM
To: Brindee [redacted]
Cc: board@meadowcrestnampa.com
Bcc: Mike W [redacted], Christine Williams [redacted]

Ms. Collins:


Please find attached our response to your May 7, 2024 letter to us.

We hope you have been well.

Thank you,

Mike and Chrissy Williams

CC: Meadowcrest Board of Directors

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Ms. Collins:

This letter is in response to your letter to us dated May 07, 2024.

As we are sure you are now aware, we filed a Complaint with the Court on April 24, 2024, after not receiving access to the records we requested.

We do appreciate that the Board did release some records, however as we communicated previously, the records that were released were not satisfactory to address our concerns. We disagree that the limited records provided to us satisfy the requirements of state statutes and the association bylaws. To reiterate, our concerns are:

1. Meetings appear to have taken place without members being given the opportunity to attend.
2. Minutes appear to have not been taken for some of the meetings.
3. We are concerned with how the finances and reporting are being managed.
4. We are concerned that contest prizes may have been misappropriated.
5. We believe that some Directors may have acted inappropriately.

As members of the HOA, we feel these concerns are valid and warrant an investigation to alleviate our concerns. We were hopeful the Board would be transparent and release the records, however it appears the Board, up to this point, has not wanted to be transparent. While we can appreciate that the board wants to prioritize the well being and privacy of the members, they should and must not use that belief as a shield to conceal mistakes and/or inappropriate behavior by the Board and/or others entrusted to manage the association's money and business interests.

Since you brought up the issue of privacy, we will point out that besides the member list, we have not requested any private information about any members. If the board has a concern about providing us with the missing mailing address information, we are willing to work with the Board in the event we would like to send communication out to members. The communication business records we have requested are specifically limited to communications directly related to us by past or present Directors. We have no interest in gaining access to communications about other members of the association. If a communication about us by the Director(s) also includes discussions about other members, we would certainly be open to having their names and other identifying information redacted to protect their privacy. If the Board is concerned about any other privacy issues we may have overlooked, we are certainly open to listening to the concerns and working towards a resolution.

We are still hopeful the Board will reconsider their position and release the records we have requested. We are aware most of the records exist in electronic format and are stored on the HOA's OneDrive and/or Northern Star's storage system. Moving a copy of these files from where they are stored into a Dropbox location would not be unduly burdensome for the HOA. We are aware that monthly financial reports, which include bank statements, are generated by Northern Star. Again, providing copies of those reports would not be unduly burdensome for the HOA to provide. We are also aware that up to the time Mike resigned his position as Technology Administrator, backups of the HOA business email records were made and stored on the HOA's OneDrive in accordance with the policy set forth by the Board on July 18, 2022. A keyword and/phrase search of those records will easily produce the responsive records contained in the backups. This should also not be unduly burdensome for the HOA.

If certain records do not exist, then a simple statement from the Board with an explanation of why the record was not generated would be responsive to our request. An example would be meetings that took place in which minutes were not taken. We have previously provided examples of meetings we believe took place in which, to date, no minutes have been published. Lastly, if meetings took place in which members were not given the opportunity to attend, a simple statement from the Board, with an explanation would be responsive to our request. If the examples we have previously provided of meetings we believed to have taken place without members being given an opportunity to attend, actually did not occur; and instead, business was conducted without a meeting, a statement from the Board, with an explanation would be responsive to our request.

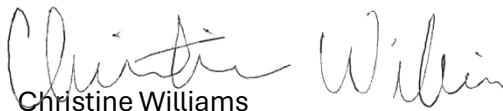
Since the time we submitted our request for records in January, we have acted in good faith, been transparent with why we are requesting the records, attempted to communicate with the HOA and have been willing to listen to and work on a resolution of any concerns the Board may have had. We filed our Complaint as a last resort since the Board appeared to not be willing to cooperate with our request. If the Board is willing to change their position and provide the records we requested, there would be no reason to move forward with the Complaint we filed.

If our concerns are unwarranted, then the records will reveal it, we will feel better and we will move forward. If some or all our concerns are valid, then let's identify them, correct the issues, be transparent with the members, come up with a plan to learn from the mistakes and then move forward. This cannot be easily accomplished if the Board is not willing to cooperate.

Thank you,



Michael Williams



Christine Williams

CC: Meadowcrest HOA Board of Directors (via email: board@meadowcrestnampa.com)