

DISTRICT OF CHAPMAN BEACH

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Dear Members,

As stated previously, we will continue to keep you informed regarding our ongoing legal matters with the District of Cedar Crest (CC). Since our last communication, we have not met again with CC, however, we have been served with a *Summons – Civil* outlining CC's complaint and identifying the litigants. Our legal counsel is currently reviewing this summons, as it is lengthy and contains numerous declarations. We will provide further updates as information becomes available and can be shared.

Updates may be distributed by mail, but we strongly encourage you to regularly visit the **Home Page** of www.chapmanbeach.org for the latest news and information about any potential special meetings. Please note that the website and direct mailings are the **only official and factual sources of information** available to members. If you receive or hear information from any other source, you may use the "Contact Us" feature on the website to verify its accuracy or request clarification. You will receive a prompt and factual response.

The Board has taken this situation very seriously since the first threat of litigation. We have met twice with representatives from CC in an effort to avoid costly litigation. During these discussions, we proposed that CC consider **joining Chapman Beach**, which we believe represents a viable and mutually beneficial solution moving forward. Naturally, this would require monetary compensation from CC, however, no specific amount or payment structure has yet been discussed. Membership would also entail annual taxation based on property valuation listed in the Town of Westbrook Grand List. We believe such an agreement would grant CC residents the same privileges of membership that all current members enjoy. To date, CC has not agreed to further explore this option, though we remain open to continued dialogue.

We continue to believe that communications from CC have contained numerous inaccuracies and demands we cannot fulfill. Our most recent mailing addressed many of these issues and outlined our responses. We have remained transparent throughout this process and will continue to do so.

Your Board of Directors is fully committed to protecting your ownership rights to all properties that we collectively own, maintain, and have developed over the past 25 years. That legacy of dedication, investment, and community building cannot and will not be taken from us.

Thank You,

The Board of Directors

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