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All Residents

Riverton Community Association

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**Re: Pool Opening**

Dear Residents,

We're happy to announce that, barring any unforeseen setbacks, our community pool will be open very soon. The governor gave the OK for public pools to open, pending approval at the local level. While we have been told since early in spring that pools were in phase 4, we have been working with our pool maintenance company on a cost-effective plan to get the pool ready during phase 3. Our pool company will be opening the pool in the coming days and getting it ready for use. Please bear with us as we get everything in order. Please note: There will be some changes, obviously, as the pool reopens. We're still working out all the kinks and awaiting further guidance from the state, but here's what we can tell you right now:

- 1) There is **\*NO CHARGE\*** for all Riverton residents in good standing this year. We are also closing off the pool to outside memberships. It is our pool and should be utilized by our paying residents.
- 2) The board has made a very difficult decision for this year, in order to open the pool as soon as we can (especially given the already exceptionally hot days we've seen) to not have a full lifeguard staff as in previous year. Note: This is for this year only at this point and we will revisit this in the fall/winter. Why are we doing this? Well, the CDC already has some very strict guidelines for reopening, including supplying all staff with masks, hand sanitizer, gloves, new lifeguard equipment (as outlined by the CDC based on the number of lifeguards on duty at once). We are imagining that New York State will release their guidelines as well that will further be a burden on having a full-time lifeguard staff for the pools, however we have not seen that yet.
- 3) We have had lifeguards/head lifeguards interview and in place since early April, however, as the NY Pause continued, these folks have either found other employment or decided not to work as a lifeguard with us altogether. If we begin the hiring process again, we're not sure how long it would take to not only interview and hire staff, but then to fully train this staff. Additionally, we would have to hire more than we would intend to





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due to CDC guidelines, and our goal is to not have any increases in the assessment, especially at this difficult time for many families.

So, with that being said, for the 2020 summer season, we are making the Riverton Pool a **"swim at your own risk"** facility. There will still be one person on duty working, as a manager/lifeguard to help ensure proper disinfecting/maintenance pool resources, as well as making sure we are limiting the number of people in the pool area at once (which will likely be outlined in the coming days by the CDC and/or New York State).

We are working to develop a plan that ensures fair access to all. We have some options we are discussing, however, if you have any suggestions on how to ensure fair access to the pool for all residents, we would love to hear it. We, the board, do not have all of the answers, obviously, and your constructive ideas are appreciated.

We understand that this plan is not ideal, and some people will not be pleased. Avoiding the current cliches, we are doing what we feel is best for our overall community. We invite you to our board meetings once we begin them again in phase 4, but please keep in mind that we are a community of your peers, volunteering our time to help make Riverton a more positive and inclusive community to live in, and we are doing the best we can while balancing our new way of life of working from home and raising our families. So please be considerate and think with an open mind before immediately shooting down this plan.

Thanks everyone!

- Riverton Board Of Directors

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