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TO: All CLCC Owners
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SUBJECT: CLCC Community Update - East Troublesome Fire
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All CLCC owners,

After the snow fell over the fire area that lessened the fire risk, I was able to gain access into the CLCC area, escorted by a Granby fire captain in his vehicle. I was accompanied by one CLCC staff member and one other board member. Heike was fortunately able to set up this visit due to her personal connections to personnel in the Granby fire department.

The approved objective of the visit was to get some quick "boots on the ground" information about our HOA assets (Office, Clubhouse, Maintenance Building, equipment) so that we can be as prepared as possible for whenever Grand County Emergency and the Sheriff's office opens the area for re-entry by all owners. The fire captain was very cooperative but was insistent that we spend minimal time in the area as it was still considered an active fire zone.

We were not allowed to do a survey of the damage to individual homes so we have no specific information about anyone's home other than what we could observe during the quick "drive-by" along the main roads on the way to HOA properties. We did not have the time to drive down all the CLCC streets so our observational knowledge is very limited. Below I will quickly summarize our observations.

- 1). The overall community fared far better than I had anticipated based on the fire and heat maps that we all had access to over the past number of days. Again, without having access to the entire community, I estimate approximately 10-15% of homes were burned by the fire. Most of the damage was along Kinnickinnik to some homes bordering the golf course and on the western perimeter near Western Road and the horse pasture. Homes located away from the perimeters generally appeared to be undamaged, however, there were several small, isolated pockets of burned homes in the interior of the community due to wind-blown embers.
- 2). The most positive thing that was observed about fire damage in the community is that the heat maps were not necessary accurate in many of the cases. As far as we could tell, all burned homes were certainly shown within the heat map fire zones, but NOT ALL homes shown in the heat map fire zones were burned. The fact of the matter is that many homes that were shown in the heat map fire zones were NOT burned. Some were but not all.
- 3). The CLCC Maintenance Building is completely destroyed along with its contents, including the Bobcat. One CLCC work truck and both detachable snow plows appeared to be undamaged as they were parked outside and away from the building. We will have to await a closer inspection to be certain but it would appear that we will have some snowplowing capability for the coming winter. The horse corral and shed were undamaged. The diesel and gas storage tanks were surprisingly intact.
- 4). The Clubhouse, the Office and the trash facility are undamaged. We were allowed to quickly enter the Office to retrieve some computers, files and bank checks to allow Heike and David to continue to work remotely and keep the HOA running. The good news is that there was electrical power in the Office.
- 5). Evidence of electrical power was seen along several roads where undamaged homes had porch lights or other lights left on at the time of evacuation. In the fire damaged areas, power poles and power lines were down or destroyed.

6). Numerous contractor vehicles were starting to make their way around the community to assess and repair utilities.

The most obvious observation is that the first responders did an unbelievable job of saving and protecting as much of our community as was humanly possible. That can be seen on all of the fire maps as our community was almost surrounded by fire at some point. We owe them a huge debt of gratitude and we will determine the best way to show our appreciation and thanks.

I apologize to everyone that I cannot provide more detailed information about all of your individual homes. Unfortunately, there was not time allowed for a complete survey of the entire community.

I can't emphasize enough that you should NOT make any assumptions or reach any conclusions about the status of your individual homes based upon the observations listed above. To ensure accuracy and consistency, that information has to come from the Grand County Emergency Services and the Sheriff's Office.

In closing I just want to reiterate that some number of CLCC owners will learn that their homes were burned while most owners will learn that their homes are still intact. Please be very sensitive to the plight of your community neighbors. I am amazed at how many people are already reaching out to offer help and assistance to others in need. You are all absolutely fantastic! And we are all Columbine Lakers!!!

Stay safe, stay strong and stay positive.

Mark Woltkamp

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