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PLEASE READ!!!!

The community currently has an environmental hazard on the beach. The aging cabanas contain asbestos roofing, some of which is crumbling and lead paint. They are permanently unsafe to use. Lead paint has to be ingested but asbestos fibers can be in the air.

Every homeowner is strongly advised to avoid the cabana's and discontinue using them effective immediately. Because the asbestos roofs are crumbling in some areas, the fibers could be contained in the lockers and on your belongings. You should leave the contents and consider them contaminated. Any homeowner who continues to use the cabanas or attempts to retrieve their belongings despite this warning, is doing so at their own risk, and Candlewood Acres Holding Corp. is not responsible.

The abatement process will take time and is being coordinated with First Light, the Town of Brookfield and two licensed contractors. Homeowners will be updated regularly as this abatement takes place. *Be advised that CAHC will abide by all rules and regulations per First Light and the Town of Brookfield's Department of Health.*

Information About Asbestos

WHAT IS ASBESTOS? Asbestos is a mineral fiber that occurs in rock and soil. Because of its fiber strength and heat resistance, asbestos has been used in many materials produced for building or home construction, particularly if they were manufactured prior to 1980, such as shingles, ceiling and floor tiles, and attic and pipe insulation. If these materials are broken, crushed, or disturbed, the asbestos fibers may be released into the air and become a health hazard. High exposures to asbestos may occur during demolition and rebuilding. The Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA), Environmental Protection Agency (EPA), and state and local authorities have regulations to protect workers from the hazards of asbestos. **WHAT ARE**

THE HAZARDS OF ASBESTOS? Exposure to asbestos is a risk factor for developing disabling and deadly lung diseases years after the exposure. Inhaling asbestos fibers can lead to scarring of the lung tissue, which can result in the loss of lung function, disability, and death. Asbestos exposure can also cause cancer in the lungs and cancer (known as mesothelioma) in the lining of the lungs or stomach. There is a higher risk of lung cancer for smokers who are also exposed to asbestos. **There is no safe level of asbestos exposure.**

Taken from the NIH Information Guide on Asbestos
https://www.niehs.nih.gov/health/materials/asbestos_508.pdf