REGULATIONS FOR USING PORTABLE GENERATORS IN OAKS VILLAGE

Each year NOAA makes a prediction on the number of storms/hurricanes we will have. As a part of their preparation, a growing number of people in Oaks Village are buying and/or using portable generators (gasoline or propane). Therefore, your HOA Board of Directors has established the following regulations for people using portable generators in Oaks Village:

- 1. Always use your generator on a flat, level surface. Put a 3/4" piece of plywood under it, if necessary.
- 2. Use your generator at least 20 feet away from any building (including your neighbors') and at least 10 feet inside your own property line.
- 3. Point the exhaust away from any windows, doors and vents.
- 4. Keep the generator dry to avoid risk of electrocution.
- 5. Do not run it in the garage (even with the door open) or on the porch.
- 6. Let it cool down before re-fueling.
- 7. Have a certified electrician install a transfer switch, if applicable.
- 8. Make sure your extension cords are in good condition.
- 9. Make sure to install carbon monoxide alarms in your home.
- 10. Store fuel for the generator in a container that is intended for the purpose and is correctly labeled as such, including with your name and address. Plan on storing your extra fuel in the small shed next to the maintenance building. You will be given a key to the shed. According to page 23, Article 15.15 of the Oaks Village Declaration of Covenants and Restrictions, "no fuel or gas storage tanks shall be permitted; however, an owner may keep and maintain a small gas tank for gas barbecues, fireplaces and hot tubs ...". Extra containers for fuel for generators is not, therefore, permitted in your garage.

We want everyone to be safe during hurricane season. Hopefully, we will not even have to use any alternative sources of electricity!

Your Board of Directors — Chad, Roger and Howard

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