

The Towers Condominium Association, Inc.

As you all know Hurricane Irma hit us on September 10, 2017. All residents were provided a Welcome Booklet that included detailed hurricane readiness procedures required to be performed by all Residents for their units. The media also repeatedly informed all residents on proper procedures to prepare for this hurricane. The Towers Association performed the maximum of preparations for all the common areas.

After the hurricane, the board felt obligated to check on the lives of the residents. There are 213 occupants at The Towers. Some of the residents chose to relocate prior to the hurricane. Others elected to stay at their own risk. For those of you who evacuated, we have placed photos on the website. There are two folders of pictures, showing the storm both during and after.

The board's procedure is to assess the common areas which included the roof first, the electrical, gas lines, walkways, and parking lot.

After the hurricane there were only two residents, one of them a board member, who helped clear the parking lot and walkways. During this time there was no power, cell phone service was sporadic, Comcast internet was down or sporadic, and a curfew was placed on the city of Ft. Myers from 8:30 at night until 7:30 in the morning.

Numerous residents contacted the only board member who had cell service, and who came back early from Ohio to assist with Hurricane Irma at The Towers. His cell service was limited by his phone battery due to the widespread loss of power, and the only cell charging available was in his automobile, which was not on-site due to flooding. Many residents called to request inspection of their units as well as information about the condition of The Towers. The information given was about the condition of the building grounds. An individual unit inspection is impossible to do when there are other priorities, especially with no power.

The assessment is as follows. The pool is closed; the gas grills are not in service; the roof is strong however two areas had the fascia affected and we have already contracted the immediate repair with Crowther Roofing to ensure no units will be affected by water from rain; the light fixtures and other common area electrical is inspected, and broken fixtures are being replaced for the safety of our residents; the sprinkler system is turned off until damaged foliage is removed; the elevators will be serviced upon first appointment available; the carports will be repaired upon receiving estimate and insurance proceeds; the grounds with all the damaged foliage will be removed by tree service and landscapers. Any damage to the inside of individual units will require the unit owner to contact their insurance companies to make a claim. Any repairs the Association can do will be after the owner contacts their insurance company.

Any further requests for information please contact Terry Ondak at 239-292-7153. He will take phone calls only, no texting. Please remember the Association is responsible for the repairs and clean up and not Alliant Property Management.

On behalf of the board of directors,

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