

## **ARTICLE VI – WATER SUPPLY SYSTEM AND COMMUNITY SERVICE FEES**

Since 1982, the Association has owned and operated a water supply system for the benefit of the membership. The operating costs are included in the Association Community Service Fees.

The water system is connected to the Franklin Knolls Water System via a pipe under 14 Mile Road. The systems back up one another during times of emergencies and/or repairs and are equipped with a backup generator in the event of a loss of power. The Association water system includes the community wells, pumps, pump house, pump house lots, under street mains, fire hydrants, water supply pipes from the mains to stopboxes on each lot, and the stopboxes.

A Water System Manager is under contract to oversee all aspects of the system and report to the Board of Directors. The water system is continually tested by independent licensed laboratories with regard to water purity as mandated by all appropriate governmental agencies. An outside service company is under contract to provide all required service and maintenance functions regarding the operation of the water system.

In consideration of the foregoing, the Association and its Members shall be bound by the following:

Section 1. The Association shall supply a continuous supply of safe drinking water to each Member residence.

Section 2. The Association shall also provide a water line blowing program to all Member residences, the cost of which will be included in the yearly Association Community Service Fees. All member Homeowners are prohibited from blowing their own water lines while connected and open to the Association Water System. If any Member Homeowner insists on blowing their own house lines, the Water System Manager must be notified and he will shutoff the water at the stopbox, the Homeowner then can do what they wish. After the Member Homeowner is finished, the Water System Manager will re-access the Homeowner's lines to the Association Water System. This procedure is mandatory in order that the Association maintain control and responsibility for the quality, quantity, and safety of the Water System. The Water System Manager shall exercise discretionary powers over the Association Water System.

Section 3. The costs of the operation, maintenance, and repair of the water supply system shall be paid for by the Association Community Service Fees as previously stated. If a Member Homeowner refuses to pay the appropriate service fees, water service will be terminated by the Association after giving 30 days written notice.

Section 4. The Association will continue to explore ways to improve all aspects of the water system or the benefit of its members.

Section 5. A Member Homeowner shall regularly inspect and maintain his or her household system.

Section 6. Underground water sprinkling systems are NOT permitted. Present in-ground systems are grandfathered.

Section 7. During the summer months of June-July-August homeowners shall follow the odd/even rule in lawn sprinkling.

Section 8. If there is a water emergency inside the home and the water cannot be turned off inside the home, the water will have to be turned off at the stopbox in the yard, usually within the front yard. If you do not know where your stopbox is or cannot turn it off, call the Water System Manager for assistance. Neither the water main gate valves nor the pump house are accessible to Member Homeowner or their plumbers.

Section 9. Association Community Service Fees are due and shall be paid in full 30 days from the billing date. A late charge will be assessed if payment is not received by that date. If payment is not received in 90 days from the billing date the delinquent homeowner's water service will be terminated. If water service is terminated because of Service Fee delinquency, a \$150.00 shut-off charge will be imposed. Water service will not be reinstated until the delinquent Service Fee including late charges and the \$150.00 shut-off charge has been paid by money order or cashier's check.

Hardship issues may be presented to the President or Treasurer of the Association for special consideration.