

I Jim Leukam would like to again run for a Board position of House and Grounds Chairperson.

A little about myself: I have been in the construction field for over 50 years and still work to this day making and building cabinets. I was elected to the board three years ago to Chair the Grounds at Causeway. I am cutting back on my construction business to devote more time to COG. There is much to be done to improve our resort contractually, which my background gives me working with the people in the industry.

Our resort needs many repairs which have been neglected over the last 10 years. Slowly we have been addressing the issues of leaky roofs, cloudy windows, sliding doors, repairing screens, adding gutters, replacing appliances, and finally carpet installation in units 1-52. Recently we have been making improvements to the pool area, replacing the original decking, steps, and painting, and have received desperately needed lounge chairs.

I would like to form a small committee with the help of members interested in helping with the enormous job. I would like to become more involved in selecting vendors and researching and pricing of projects. I would like to upgrade the look visually of our resort to improve it to a beautiful and well-kept grounds. The ambiance on Gull Lake is hard to beat, we have great amenities, and the buildings have good bones but desperately need improvements.

Dealing with issues including the closing of the hot tubs in the units which must be delt with. Our maintenance people cannot do this job as they are kept busy with the day to day upkeep of our resort. We are down to three maintenance people and that is not enough.

Working a limited number of maintenance people. Moving forward we will need hire contractors, carpenters, plumbers, electricians, and HAVC. There is a maze of PVC piping and wiring under the floors and just to remove could be in the 5K-10K range, money we do not have. Funds to complete the many many additional projects are numerous and funding is needed to move forward.

I ask for your vote and will work hard for this resort to restore it.