

August 12, 2025

Transmitted Via Email: h2oboxer@gmail.com

Forest Lake Country Club of Sylvan Lake, Inc.
8 Hibiscus Circle
Hopewell Junction, NY 12533
Attn: Timothy McDermott

Re: Forest Lake Country Club of Sylvan Lake, Inc. – General Matters

Dear Mr. McDermott:

On behalf of Handel & Carlini, LLP, I wish to thank you for retaining me to represent your interests with regard to the above entitled matter. We appreciate your confidence and look forward to assisting you in connection with this matter.

This letter sets forth our agreement relative to our representation and the payment of our fees for legal services in this matter. I request that you review the following, sign this letter and return it to me. Until notified to the contrary, I shall proceed with the handling of this matter on the basis of the agreement set forth herein.

1. Retainer: We will not require a retainer at this time.
2. Fees For Legal Services: At this time, my hourly rate is \$400.00, associates are billed at \$295.00 per hour and paralegals at \$195.00 per hour. **As a courtesy to the Board, we will discount the above rates to an hourly blended rate of \$275.00 per hour.** If our fee structure is modified in the future, we shall provide thirty (30) days notice of same to you, and the new rates shall not become effective with respect to your matters until the expiration of that thirty (30) day period.
3. Costs and Disbursements: In addition to charges for legal services rendered, certain costs and disbursements will be incurred in the handling of this matter. Such costs and disbursements shall be billed to you as a separate item. Such costs shall include electronic research fees, filing fees, service fees and related office expenses such as toll calls, photocopying and the like.
4. Appeal and Judgment Enforcement: The schedule of fees and costs set forth above applies to litigation through a final judgment or order. In the event that a final judgment or order is rendered and you elect to enforce, collect or appeal such judgment or order, another arrangement must be reached with me at such time and, by undertaking this representation, I am not now agreeing to represent your interests with respect to any such judgment proceeding or appeal. I would be pleased to discuss with you my present arrangements concerning such representation.
5. Billing and Payment of Bills: You will receive a billing for legal fees and costs approximately every thirty (30) days. You will be required to pay your bill for fees and costs, in full,

upon receipt. If you have any questions concerning your billing upon its receipt, do not hesitate to contact us. Amounts not paid within thirty (30) days bear interest at 1.0% per month.

6. Termination of Representation: We shall continue to represent your interest in these matters until any of the following occurs:

(a) You notify us that you no longer desire our representation;

(b) An unforeseen conflict has developed which, under the circumstances, requires our withdrawal as counsel;

(c) Such other circumstances develop which make it necessary, or appropriate, that our attorney-client relationship be severed; or

(d) Consistent with controlling ethical rules and the law, should you fail to communicate or cooperate in the case and/or fail to pay us consistent with the terms of this agreement.

Should any of these circumstances occur, we shall terminate our relationship by consent. You shall pay us for all work done on your behalf up to and including your receipt of our letter severing our relationship.

7. Affiliations: One or more principles of Handel & Carlini, LLP may have some affiliation or interest in the following companies: Handel Companies; Bernard Handel, CPA; Double Deuce Enterprises, Inc. d/b/a Superior Process; Real Property Abstract & Title Services, LLC.

8. Arbitration: While we seek to avoid any fee disputes with our clients, and rarely have such disputes, in the event such a dispute does arise, you are advised that you have the right, at your election, to seek arbitration to resolve the fee dispute. In such event, we shall advise you in writing by certified mail that you have thirty (30) days from receipt of such notice in which to elect to resolve the dispute by arbitration and shall enclose a copy of the arbitration rules and a form for requesting arbitration. The decision resulting from arbitration is binding upon both you and this firm.

Once again, we appreciate the opportunity to be of service to you in this matter.

Very truly yours,

HANDEL & CARLINI, LLP

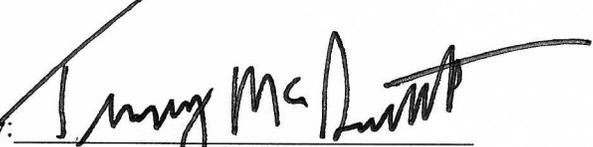
By: 
Anthony C. Carlini, Jr.

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I HEREBY AGREE AND CONFIRM THAT THIS AGREEMENT REPRESENTS MY UNDERSTANDING WITH HANDEL & CARLINI, LLP RELATIVE TO ITS REPRESENTATION OF ME AND THAT I HAVE READ AND UNDERSTAND THE CONTENTS OF THIS AGREEMENT.

DATED: August 29, 2025

**FOREST LAKE COUNTRY CLUB
OF SYLVAN LAKE, INC.**

By: 
Timothy McDermott, President