

MINUTES FROM LANDSCAPE COMMITTEE MEETING

MARCH 17, 2016



Committee Members in Attendance: Merry Shaurette, Linda Kerr, Steve Bernstein, Marty Atkins, Mary Eastwood

Homeowners/Guests in Attendance: Howard Schelde, Larry Booslog

Property Manager in Attendance: Cristina Olsen

- I. **Call to Order** ~ 3:58 PM; Merry Shaurette/Linda Kerr
- II. **Proof of Notice of the Meeting**
- III. **Certification of a Quorum**
- IV. **Approval of February 24, 2016 Minutes** ~ Merry Shaurette/Marty Atkins
- V. **New Business**

a. Merry advised the committee that she had touched base with Cristina regarding an ongoing "punchlist" of items that Artistree had been told to address and which, at this point, had not been addressed:

Old Items That Have Not Yet Been Addressed:

- 1) 10601 Lemon Creek Loop #103 - please trim the shrubs in front of unit and the shrubs on both sides of the walkway to entrance.
- 2) 10600 Lemon Creek Loop #101 - check the planting bed directly behind lanai (against the Placida Rd. wall). Plants appear to be dead or dying. Could be poor irrigation or lack of sunlight, but if they need to be replaced please provide me with an estimate to do so. This unit also needs the shrub around the AC unit trimmed.
- 3) 10641 Lemon Creek Loop #101 - Bird of Paradise at front entrance needs to be cut back to allow more sunlight to get to the grass area.

New Items That Need To Be Addressed:

- 1) 10700 Lemon Creek Loop by Unit #101 - bushes along walkway to front door need to be trimmed, they are growing across the walk
- 2) Other palms looking yellow - mostly coconut palms. Were these treated with Magnesium along with the Foxtails? Are these treatments covered under our contract or will there be a charge for this?

- 3) Please check the irrigation up against the front of the 8561, there are plants that are struggling there and we need to make sure they are getting water before we seek to replace them.
- 4) There is a large hole that needs to be filled in at Bldg 8560 (if you're looking at the building it is on the left side almost to the rear corner). Looks like something may have been removed from there and there is a substantial hole that has already tripped someone. Be careful, as this hole is not easy to see since it is filled with grass.
- 5) Please check the sprinklers at Bldg 10641 Lemon Creek Loop. I have been told it is "not working". That's all the info I was given on that so I can't be more specific.
- 6) Do you know anything about the torn up area directly behind Bldg 8571? Looks like the area was damaged by a vehicle and then some sod was randomly (poorly) placed in some places.
- 7) All of the walkways between units of the Villas need more attention/trimming. This appears to be part of our contract but has not been done that I have ever seen, and I have owned for 3 years now.

Regarding the above Artistree concerns, Merry noted that Jeff did acknowledge her "punchlist", forwarded it on to his foreman and supposedly will be back at work on Monday, March 21 (originally he was to be back March 8)

Also, due to the growing concern with Artistree's performance, or lack of, it was deemed that Cristina will now contact Pam from Argus to intervene.

b. Pond Maintenance ~ In the past pond maintenance was done every other year. Perhaps the idea of it being maintained annually is a consideration. It was last maintained two(2) years ago. Not only is it essential for drainage, we are required to maintain it as it is being used as a detention pond(s). Cristina checked and currently there is a "lake maintenance account" which would be used for expenses. Merry had information from three (3) companies that provide pond maintenance. Marty Atkins volunteered to take on researching these companies, their estimate(s) and to report back to the committee. Merry mentioned the Southwest Florida Water Management website as a reference as to what our obligations are specifically. It was also suggested that perhaps we could get recommendations from CAM.

c. Golden Mound Concern~ Per an email that Merry received from Artistree concerning Golden Mound plantings:

"We are providing an information link to Gold Mound Duranta problems that we're beginning to see in the field. As you may be aware, Gold Mound is being affected by Root-Knot Nematodes. Currently, there is no treatment labeled for use on ornamental plants that is proven effective in research trials.

To prevent spread of nematodes, the University of Florida IFAS Extension recommends that severely damaged plants and plantings be replaced with less susceptible plants and not with Gold Mound. Shovels and other equipment used around infested plants should be cleaned thoroughly before using in other areas. If you have any questions or would like additional information on this issue, please contact Maria Muhlhahn at mariam@artistree.com."

We will ask Jeff to count the number of Golden Mound that The Hammocks have on property, ask for replacement recommendations and estimates.

VI. Old Business

a. Irrigation on Parcel 1: Sam and Craig from The Hammocks met with Jeff and Jose regarding the issues on parcel 1. Essentially, the irrigation project was never completed. Additional heads are needed (at no cost to us), heads need to be adjusted and "donuts" will be put around sprinkler heads.

b. Seeding on all Parcels~ Kirk from Artistree commented that several types of seeds are used and basically they just watch to see which ones take,...Sam had the soil tested. The PH level "is a bit off". Marty commented that he felt that the hydroseeding was done at the wrong time to maximize results. He recommended that before we seed all parcels, that we do a test area of perhaps 10,000 sq ft, grade/til it, cover with top soil, then hydroseed. After that has been done, then analyze the results and make a decision if this should be done on all the parcels. Merry is going to check with Sam regarding what Kevin Kelley originally promised regarding re-seeding.

c. Mulch ~ Steve asked that we have Alex spray for weeds prior to distributing the remainder of the mulch. Cristina will get authorization from Hilary Gray to pay Alex 1/2 of the amount due. Upon receipt of this downpayment, we should expect mulch in about a week. We have asked Alex that in the remainder mulching that he apply 1" and then after the second delivery of mulch is received to go back and distribute the rest.

VII. Comments~ Any communication that any Landscape Committee Members send to Jeff should also be copied to Cristina. At our next walk through with Jeff (Artistree), Cristina will accompany us and will take pictures and notes. Also, going forward, Artistree will be asked to check in with the office upon arrival at The Hammocks and when departing, to also check in with Cristina with a list of tasks completed. If Cristina is not available, they should be instructed to leave the list in the slot on her office door.

VIII. Date for Next Meeting~ April 4, 2016, @ 4PM

IX. Adjournment~ 5:26PM; Merry Shaurette/Marty Atkins

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED,

Mary Eastwood