



THE HAMMOCKS CAPE HAZE

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Date | time 3/21/2017 4:30 PM | *Meeting called to order by* Merry Shaurette

In Attendance

Merry Shaurette, Steve Bernstein, Marty Atkins were present. Jean Hamilton was not present.

Also in attendance were several homeowners: Sam and Julie Desiderio, Penny Harrington, Howard Schelde, Bill and Rosemary Mertens, Sue Grevel, Joann Cauchy, and Don Shaurette.

Proof of Notification of Meeting

Notification of meeting posted more than 48 hours in advance at gym, mailboxes, and pool area.

Certification of a Quorum

Quorum was deemed, as three of four members were present. Only Jean Hamilton was absent.

Approval of Minutes of Previous Meeting

Merry Shaurette moved to accept minutes from previous meeting of Committee, 02/23/2017 4:30 pm. Steve Bernstein seconded. Marty Atkins abstained (was not present previous meeting). Approved minutes will be sent to Cristina/Tomi at office.

New Business

Discussed the trees for the remaining parcels, as the planting is set to occur this year. Had previous discussion about not adding any more Magnolia trees as the once planted on Parcel 1 are not thriving. From Merry's communication with Kirk from ArtisTree, the Magnolias on the plans for Parcels 2, 3, and 4 will be replaced with equal numbers of Shady Lady's, Gumbo Limbo's, and Mahogany's, until Committee can investigate more and decide possibly on other replacement trees (Royal Poincianas and Jacarandas were mentioned). Kirk advised that previous Committee members had advised him that they did not want any more oak trees planted on property. Merry to get with Kirk to schedule the tree planting and get back with the Committee on tentative dates. Kirk advised that projects of this size are currently being scheduled 8-10 weeks out.

Residents would like some more splash and color in the parcels, and it was discussed that some of this can be accomplished when it comes time to undertake the underplantings, possibly in 2018.

Merry mentioned concern that with current drought situation the ponds are getting very low and that this may make future irrigation difficult. We have shut off the watering of the grass on Parcels 2, 3, and 4 (Parcel 1 is still being watered, as the bubblers for the trees can not be separated from the sprinklers on the grass). Discussed the current Cape Haze project of bringing reclaimed water to our area (Sam advised that the community had previously agreed to sign on to this in years past). There are pumps in the ponds on property that were thought to be able to help us pump more water into the ponds but

they are currently inoperative. So the possibility of using cheaper reclaimed water for irrigation is encouraging. One thing that will have to be addressed is the upgrading of the timers on the irrigation equipment. Our current timers are outdated and will not be able to properly handle the irrigation once the trees are planted on the remaining parcels. Sam had previously checked into this and found that it will cost us at least \$8000.00 to upgrade our current system.

Old Business

- Wax Myrtles along fence on Parcel 3 – check for dead trees – ArtisTree supplied and planted trees, need to be replaced if dead
- Trimming needed at front gate and at pool area
- Weeding needed at pool area
- Weeding needed in beds throughout community
- Steve brought up need to address the planting circles at the traffic turnabout – Carolyn Bernstein had previously provided Merry a copy of the email thread that she had with ArtisTree about how they planned to fix the problem (which may be insufficient soil for optimum growth). This needs to be addressed with Jeff Tamayo.

Comments

- Howard Schelde brought his concerns with the shrubs that are behind his Villa home. Merry, Jeff Tamayo, and Sam have all gone to the area and had a look at the shrubs. Jeff had advised Howard that the bushes are actually not dying, but that they had may be been suffering from lack of sunlight (which has changed now since the trees back in that area have been recently trimmed). Irrigation in the area appears to be sufficient and operative. Howard agreed to “let a little time pass” and see if the additional sunlight improves the condition of the shrubs
- Bill Mertens (representing his committee for community improvement) discussed the “terribly overgrown” Oleanders in front of the clubhouse. Some discussion was had about the resolution that the Master board passed regarding standards in all matters of landscaping. As most of the landscaping around the clubhouse was originally planted by the developer of the community, it may be time to address replacing some of the old, “leggy” plants, maybe even having some residents help with some of the work in order to save the community some money
- Penny Harrington (representing her committee for community improvement) asked about the possibility of camouflaging the large green electrical boxes on the remaining parcels. Based on some recent estimates obtained from ArtisTree for similar sized projects, it was agreed that a loose estimate for this might be around \$1000.00 per box. Merry agreed to run this by Jeff Tamayo to see if this might be a close estimate. Merry will get back with Penny when she gets a response from Jeff

Next Meeting

4/18/2017 4:30 PM, Ibis Clubhouse

Motion to adjourn at 5:39 p.m. by Merry Shaurette, second by Marty Atkins.