

Plant and Beautification Committee Meeting Minutes

Friday, November 10, 2017

The meeting was called to order at 2:00 pm by Dottie Goerke

Members present: Linda Dowson, Dottie Goerke, Anna Quilici, Ken Angotti, Suellen Coito, Betty Angotti, Carol Wambold, & Veronica Malcolm. Absent was Leroy Hake, Chris Williams, and Board liaison David Yamin. Also present was Alan Steiger and Debbie Fulton, CAM, CMCA, AMS, PCAM.

Minutes of March 9, 2017 Meeting – A motion was duly made by Carol and seconded by Kenny to approve the minutes of March 30th, 2017. Motion passed unanimously.

Old Business

Report on Summer Landscaping – Veronica and Suellen reported the issues during the summer with West Bay. They further reported that they had met with Ron Skimma, one of the principals of West Bay. He reported at that meeting that it appeared they had unfortunately under bid the contract. A few days after the meeting Debbie received an email with an increase of \$2,500 or the Association could use the letter as a 30 day termination. From that point they interviewed three landscape companies and recommended Landwise Horticultural Services to the Board for approval. Landwise began the contact on September 1st. The committee would like to schedule a walk through in the near future with the representatives from Landwise. Linda also noted that it would be much more efficient if only a couple of committee members did the walk through, versus the entire committee.

Report on Dirty Patios – There was discussion of the patios. They were cleaned over the summer, but some have again started to look bad. The committee will look at them in the beginning of 2018. Alan inquired to the committee about the sod he had planted before he left to go north that has all died, but appears to have been killed. He will put in new sod and Kenny will assist.

Report on Plantings and Foxtails – Debbie reported that there were foxtails installed earlier this year and there are others that appear to be dying. The annuals that were planted by West Bay died and we were not charged for them.

Report on Oak Trees Special Project – Debbie reported that the removing (3) oak trees was stopped due to a renter calling Sarasota County. The county came out and advised we needed permits to remove the trees and they would not issue the permits as they felt the trees were in good health and not an issue to the association.

New Business

Revised Maintenance Budget 2018 - Linda reported she has presented all budgets to Finance Committee and Board of Directors

Review of the 2017 Budget – Debbie advised that the committee had spent \$22,231.20 of there \$30,000 budget. Having said that the rye over seeding still needs to be done and the annuals must be planted. Debbie will send Linda the revised budget with expenses.

Report on Installation Date for Holiday Decorations – Debbie advised the Holiday Trimmers were out on 11/8 and installed most of the exterior holiday decorations. They will return when the seed pods are removed to complete the 2 palms in front of the clubhouse as well as the two palms behind the guard shed

Report on Special Projects for 2019 - Linda reported that currently there are no special projects for 2019. Linda would like to have a meeting with the supervisors from Landwise to discuss plantings to be done.

Mulch 2018 - Linda will reach out to Big Earth and get a quote. She has also asked Landwise for a quote for the labor to install the mulch. Debbie will also reach out to the owner who advised he had a contact as well.

Meeting Adjourned 3:15 PM

Next meeting planned for January 11th, 2018 at 10:30 am