

REGENCY AT PROVIDENCE COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION,
LANDSCAPE COMMITTEE Meeting, June 28, 2018

Present: Art Lebofsky, Linda Tornetta, Alan Kirsch, Len Lobel, Joe Malone, Bill Metzker, Linda Kulp, Peg West, Bruce Sieving, Mary Tilger, Ralph Hoppel, Vera Noll and Tom Davis – Board Liaison

- 1- Call to Order – Art convened the meeting at 4:30 pm. He noted that we had three guests – Marti and Scott Bender from Meadow Glen development, who wanted to observe how things are done at RAP LC and Rich Fulmer, a new resident who may want to join the LC.
- 2- Approval of Minutes: **Bill Metzker moved, Joe Malone seconded, acceptance of the minutes of the April 18, 2018 meeting; all in favor.**
- 3- Treasurer's Report: Alan reported that four invoices from Outside Unlimited needed revision for a deduction of residents who have opted-out. **Alan will send required revisions with support documents to Diane Biddy, Art and Linda for forwarding to OU.** One invoice from OU in the amount of \$1,408 for tree ring widening has been approved for payment. The budgeting process for 2019 will commence during July 2018. **Art will contact Diane B. to determine if Coon Hollow Pond Maintenance and Hydroscapes have submitted any invoices.**
- 4- Linda and Art gave their report as Co-Chairs: Linda reported that the board approved the funding for an irrigation system at the Eden entrance for the planted flowers. The Landscape Committee has been looking for alternative methods to deal with the major problem of opt-outs. There are several issues and problems that present themselves with this type of system, listed are a few that are worth noting:
 - Keeping track of the constant changes of homeowners. The time and labor needed to keep accurate records, put out proper flags on days when scheduled trimmings or treatments will take place. And, dealing with unhappy residents when a mistake is made.

We have, as of the end of May, closed the opt-outs. **The LC will continue to work on a better system throughout the coming months.** Art reported that it is critical that Diane be kept informed on all matters. **He also noted overlap in our RAP structure of the ARC and LC which needs definition. A positive trend has been noted in response to OU services.**

5- Sub-Committee reports:

-Garden and Plant Maintenance: The budget for flowers is \$ 6,000.00 for the four phases. We ordered from OU 90 flats of Vinca and Begonia for the entrances and pool areas at a cost of \$2,250.00. **The remaining flower budget will be used for replacing dead or dying plants in the entrance areas and possibly adding a bed in the Regency Pool area.**

-Ponds: The current aeration schedule and water levels are being visually monitored for any adverse effects by the committee and Coon Hollow (contractor). **Any noted adjustments need to go through Diane B.** The carp have been added to the ponds. **Aerator maintenance needs to be added to the Coon Hollow new contract.** The pond 2 well pump discharge pipe is being extended into the pond.

-Trees: **The Ash trees will need a budget for replacement.** Phase 2 dead eyebrow trees are being removed and not replaced. Eight dead trees (8 in Phase 4 and 1 in Phase 3) are being removed and will be covered with grass at a cost of \$705 total. **Several leaning trees will be reviewed for corrective action.**

-Trails: In all four phases trails are passible but contain surface irregularities and excess vegetation. OU is addressing minor repairs. The OU contract calls for continuing spraying which they are now addressing. Bob Derbyshire is aware of the Phase 4 trails issues and added them to his Toll list. **He advised it is unlikely Toll will take any action therefore the trails will be a budget item to consider. The runoff/erosion conditions described above are a continuing maintenance event and require a budget line item.**

-Irrigation: All systems were activated on June 16th. Hydroscares (contractor) has been tasked with extending drip line left of the Sloan Clubhouse, change time settings for RH entrance system **(committee will monitor outer zones for proper irrigation)** and reduce pressure at Fairmount and Eden entrances which were found to be excessive. **Plans are to complete written descriptions of all 5 systems components, zones and controller settings and review irrigation schedules for reduced running of systems.**

-Lawn Care: The grass looked much improved from our initial walk through in early May. The fertilization and weed control by OU is being reviewed, **a change in the schedule and an additional fertilization may be required in the new contract.**

6- Unfinished Business: **The open meeting for the LC will be September 20th.**

7- New Business:

It was originally proposed that -

If an evergreen tree is on common property or in the rear yard of a resident and has branches that are low and cover the original mulch circle, such that mowers can no longer reach that original circle, then those trees will no longer be edged or mulched. If the original mulched circle is visible and can be mowed up to, then that circle will be edged and mulched. The Board requested a revision to be voted on-

Any evergreen tree on common property or in the rear yard of a resident will no longer be edged or mulched. Linda Tornetta moved, Bill Metzker seconded; all in favor.

Art also personally thanked all the members of the LC for their time and serious efforts.

8- Board Liaison report on current Board activity. Reminder of the upcoming budget process.

9- With no other business, the meeting was adjourned at 5:50 pm by motion of Ralph Hoppel and Seconded by Peg West; all in favor.

All motions and action items are in bold print. The Committee minutes are reviewed and agreed to by the members before they are finalized and posted to the web site. A formal vote to approve the minutes is then taken at the next Committee meeting.

Respectfully Submitted,
Leonard Lobel, Secretary