

REGENCY AT PROVIDENCE COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION,
LANDSCAPE COMMITTEE Meeting, October 18, 2018

Present:

1- Call to Order – Art convened the meeting at: 3:59 pm
Welcome to new members Sharon Patterson and Len Nespoli, who have both joined the Trails Sub-committee.

2-Approval of Minutes for meeting of September 20, 2018: Motion by Joe Malone and Seconded by Alan Kirsch – Acceptance all in favor.

3-Treasurer's Report – Alan: Received seven new invoices from Outside Unlimited (OU). Several had questionable charges and the issues were discussed with Diane Bidy and Jim Yanni, owner of OU. **Several issues remain and payment of these invoices have been held up pending their resolution.**

The number of lawn mowings and edgings have reached the maximum contracted number for the year. **However, there will be a need for additional mowings and edgings due to the excessive amount of rain, sufficient funds are in the budget for these additional mowings and edgings.**

Coon Hollow and Hydroscares have recently performed work and we are awaiting these invoices.

Budgets for 2019 were submitted to the Board. We expect feedback next week.

4- Co-Chair Reports: Linda - Opt-out Process and Form – a committee was formed to review and propose changes to the procedure their conclusion was to reduce categories and revise the process so that it simplifies the management for all involved. Discussion included: Design of new form; how to best mark properties opting-out and processing of forms. **Two forms have been prepared and will be sent to the Board for their input and direction.**

Art – Met with Carol Richard and was disappointed with the handoff from Diane indicated by a lack of current information. **Art has asked the**

Board for the status of his tree remedial work request (Nino to followup).

5-Sub-Committee reports:

-Garden and Plant Maintenance: Linda - rotation started on Phases 1-4, remediation of the entrance beds also a general clean-up has taken place.

- In phases 1 and 2- 150 mums and 65 Liriope were planted.
- Phase 4- 28 mums in entrance beds and 8 flats of Dianthus were planted and 10 flats in clubhouse beds.

-Ponds - Bruce: Two of the four aerators have short circuited and are being repaired and all are stored for the winter. **Phase 4 pond aerator is not sufficient and it is proposed that a bubble aerator be installed – this system and costs will be sent to the Board for their decision.**

-Trees- Mary: Ongoing issues: **Hole in ground by Phase 4 ponds where trees were removed and never back filled is creating a hazard. Stumps and areas with removed trees need to be graded properly and seeded. Dead trees and dying trees listed in the Spring report need to be removed/remediated as some are a safety issue.** Shearon, under warranty, replaced the dead tree at the Sloan Clubhouse and gave us replacement shrubs for the Hillview island bed which volunteers planted in the Hillview island bed and in a bed behind the pool.

-Trails - Howard: The trails continue to deteriorate though not to an alarming degree. The main problem is the thinning of the stone coverage and growth both green and dead. Phase 1 there is a slimy wet spot with some standing water and the cloth is showing even though the coverage is adequate. Phase 2 is thin throughout and there is a lot of fall debris with additional loose hanging debris in the overhead branches. There are many bald spots. Phase 3, many thin spots and narrow spots. **The same place that washes out every year at the curve between 426 & 428 washed out the middle of the trail about 5' long X 18" wide X 4" deep.**

While not part of the trail, adjacent to the Copley road end of the Phase 3 trail there is a 6" drop off that is a hazard. The riverstones should be built up on at least the south side of the pavement the full length of the culvert.

-Irrigation-Bruce: Hydroscares winterized all five systems in October. Over pressurization of Eden and Fairmount entrances - Pennsylvania American Water representatives inspected and confirmed that neither system has a pressure regulator installed. **Project description sent to Diane on October 1st to solicit bids for installation of two regulators**

(as a 2019 budget item). Status of bid solicitation is unknown

- -Lawn Care: ((Art gave sub-committee report)) Problems due to wetness brought to OU's attention, some issues relate to their subcontractors not getting proper instructions.

6-Unfinished Business:

--Lanternfly update: Cold weather reducing numbers, still need to identify and remove egg deposits.

--Co-Chairs for December and onward: Art's last meeting as co-chair is 11/15. **Art will post opening in the RAP Flyer.**

--Report of ad hoc committee on work along the Hillview trail - Mary
The homes from 700 Hillview Drive to 712 Hillview Drive need the slope behind them (on the house side of the trail) aerated, seeded and fertilized. The remaining green netting needs to be removed. Beds along the trail on the open space side of the trail have no shrubs or are doing poorly. These areas need to be smoothed out and seeded. Alternative, ask homeowners who have the area in their back, if they want to plant and maintain. The beds in the area on both sides of the trail are not edged. The trail edge (grass) is ugly and some method should be agreed upon to maintain the trail edge. There are 2 beds of shrubs that are on the homes side of the trail that are hanging into the trail and need trimming. Dead evergreen trees along trail need to be removed, stumps removed and smoothed, and grass seeded. Stump behind 724 Hillview needs to be removed completely and soil and grass seed applied. The rear area between 724 and 726 Hillview needs remediation of grading to allow for water to drain off, the same area has extensive damage caused by the fertilizer application machine. The open space side of the trail needs to be treated with grass fertilizer and weed and feed - it is obvious that this area has never been taken care of. The areas with grass on this side should also be aerated and seeded as well as fertilized.

Art and Linda thanked the ad hoc committee for their work. The report will be sent on to the Board for their consideration of a work order.

7-New Business:

-- Definitions of terms across documents: (see attached) **Art distributed this for review and comments to conform all terms wherever posted to have the same meaning.**

Board Liaison report --Nino: Budgets have been approved and should be distributed next week

9- Adjournment at 5:30 pm

Next meeting, November 15, 2018, 4:00 pm, Sloan Clubroom

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 Landscape Committee