

REGENCY AT PROVIDENCE COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION, LANDSCAPE COMMITTEE Meeting, October 7, 2020 at Sloan Club House Parking Lot

Present: Bob Derbyshire, Ed Idzik, Len Lobel, Len Nespoli, Mary O'Connor, Mary Tilger, Nancy Carey, Peg West, Ralph Hoppel, Vera Noll.

Call to Order: Mary convened the meeting at 2 pm.

Approval of Minutes: Minutes were accepted by Peg, seconded by Ed and unanimously approved.

Board Update/Information: Bob reported that \$8,000 is scheduled to be available from Reserve Funds for the trails in next year's budget.

Phase 1: (Nancy) Entrance Island completed with perennials, a weeping Spruce was planted in front of clubhouse, 3 Hollies were planted along Egypt Rd behind the pool. 21 volunteers from all 4 Phases added 200 perennials to the 2 island plantings on Sloan saving the community the planting costs if work was done with a contractor. To the right of the clubhouse and right of Fairmount, the beds there were finished and filled with shrubs, the little sidewalk that crosses through the median strip on Fairmount was planted with lirioppe and the dead junipers were removed. Next year we are planning to remediate the clubhouse parking lot and surrounding areas.

Phase 2: (Peg and Ralph) The entrance to phase 2/3 had perennials filled in. Two spirea were planted to the rear of the guardhouse. The volunteers also planted the 2 islands on Hanover in Phase 2 with shrubs and perennials. Total cost \$1,598.20. The trees in the islands on Hanover were limbed up, root and flares were remediated by the volunteers. Pristine took away the large amount of tree debris that was accumulated in the process. There will be lirioppe planted at the entrance end caps of islands to phase 2 by volunteers soon. The corner gardens at the entrance will be remediated next March/April if the budget is approved.

Phase 3: (Vera and Mary) The entrance island at Phase 3 will not need anything except some water and possibly remove the Pear tree that grew there on its own, as there are too many trees in that bed.

Phase 4: The rain garden was weeded by Pristine and then had stone added to help with major erosion issues. 5 River Birch trees were planted in the area to help with the water problems. The trees along the pond trail were limbed up high by volunteers and debris was removed by Pristine, it was a truck full. This is work that the contractors should have done. The Oak tree along Egypt Rd was replaced and the stump directly next to it will be removed. The entrance to Phase 4 was replanted. Concrete was discovered under the soil (too much to remove easily) in the median entrance which altered the contractor's plan with the planting. The clubhouse in Phase 4 had some dead shrubs and perennials removed and replaced. A tree was planted in the space where one had died at the clubhouse. A little liriope will be put in on the corner by volunteers.

Trees (Len N) More dead trees need to be removed, mostly dead Ash trees. A discussion was had about the limbing up of trees on resident properties – should be 6-7 foot above ground and is not a HOA responsibility. Bob will need to get Board direction on how to accomplish this task.

Trails (Len L/Howard) Trails require major remediation to most areas and will be addressed in next year's budget.

Accolades were given to Mary T for giving her time in planning, organizing the purchase of plants/shrubs, directing the volunteers and executing the plans.

The next meeting is scheduled for February, date and time TBD.

The meeting was adjourned at 3:15 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

Leonard Lobel
Secretary Landscape Committee