

LANDSCAPE COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES
Friday, March 5, 2021

I. Meeting was called to order at 2:00 p.m.

II. It was confirmed that the meeting was properly noticed.

III. A quorum was established with the attendance of committee members Mike Jacobs, Becky Kutska, Dona Lasseter, Angela Potter, and Nancy Rechcigl. Also in attendance were: ArtisTree A/E, Eric Cerda; Rizzetta Field Services Manager, John Toborg; CDD Board Liaison, Dick Carroll; General Manager, Steve Dietz; and Executive Assistant, Mary Paige Huisman.

IV. It was noted that item VIII. B. from the February 5, 2021, minutes should read 3, not 30. With that correction, the minutes from the February 5, 2021, meeting were unanimously approved.

V. There were no public comments for discussion.

VI. Please see John Toborg's field inspection report dated February 19, 2021. Items in said report that were specifically discussed at this meeting:

#8: As erosion control continues, some turf is suffering and will be monitored.

#14: Ti plants should be pruned by gradually removing the tallest stems, as needed to maintain a lush, healthy appearance.

#21: Blue Daze in median beds of Winding Stream needs to be trimmed, weeded, and fertilized, taking care not to overfertilize.

#23: Sylvester palm at Whooping Crane cul-de-sac may be showing signs of distress. Will monitor and also ensure it is being properly fertilized.

#24: Wild Coffee bushes in Maritime buffer will be relocated to a more shady location. ArtisTree will also make sure the irrigation in this buffer is set for full coverage.

#28: The "unusual looking" tree at Big Bass appears to be healthy and is currently not posing a safety concern. As per CDD policy, we will not prune this tree. However, the concerned resident may have it done (with CDD supervision).

#29: Mistletoe is a destructive organism and must be hand cut from affected trees.

VII. ARTISTREE REPORT/ERIC: The Sunpatiens were installed on 3/3. The next detail pass is scheduled for week of 3/29. In addition to Field Inspection Report items, it was noted that a sprinkler head is broken along UMRR. Eric will take a look. The area around the lift station was also discussed. We reviewed the specimens proposed for the Winding Stream median at the roundabout. We still have not decided on the tree for this area but have asked that Eric get pricing on a Ribbon Palm, Date Palm, and Chinese Fan Palm with 14' of clear trunk.

VIII. CHAIRMAN UPDATE

- A. Mossy Branch Gate Update: Process requires survey, which Rick is combining with others and should be back by 3/8. It will then be forwarded to Michelle. Michelle has not replied to Steve to confirm our choice of travertine for the monument. Steve will followup. The Board approved the expenditure, and permitting is in progress.
- B. Retaining Wall Update: Michelle followed up with Manatee County and has found that a handrail will also be required if a wall is built, further escalating the cost (now upwards of \$7500). As an alternative and as this is an issue of erosion control and not esthetics, Steve talked to our erosion company. That option was quoted at \$900 and will keep with the look and quality throughout the community. The committee felt this to be an excellent and acceptable compromise and voted unanimously to make this alternate recommendation to the CDD Board.
- C. The renovation around the gatehouse has been completed and looks great! Thank you, Nancy, for your guidance and leadership.
- D. Bedding/Annuals Update:
 - a. The Sunpatiens installation has been completed.
 - b. The next rotation will be dwarf Pentas, Lipstick color. These should go in late June and are expected to last four months.
 - c. The winter rotation (October/early November) will be coleus (Lime and Redhead), which were so well received in 2019 and actually requested we repeat them by some residents.
 - d. The committee voted to use lirioppe (Lily Turf) in the elevated beds at the main entrance monuments.
 - e. Nancy raised the issue of potential water staining of the travertine in the entrance monuments secondary to sprinklers, and we asked Eric to have this area changed to drip irrigation.
- E. Bridge Lighting Update: The quote Steve received from another vendor was higher than that from Pleasant Lightscapes. Pleasant Lightscapes has ordered materials and will be completing this project.
- F. Plant Bed Refresh: Steve, John, Eric and Mike inspected all plant beds and identified shrubs that need replacement. Sales quotes #17617, 17620, 17621, 17625, 17626, and 17633 are well within our budget and will be forwarded to the CDD Board for approval. Eric was also asked to provide a unit price for each line item in the interim and on future proposals.
- G. Broken solar curb lights have been replaced and others have been added in the community.

IX. GENERAL MANAGER UPDATE: The CDD Landscape Committee Financial Summary was reviewed.

X. Aside from Dick's input elsewhere during this meeting, there were no liaison comments.

XI. OTHER BUSINESS/COMMITTEE DISCUSSION

A. Potential committee members were not discussed due to time constraints.

B. Regarding the two-year plan, our focus will be:

- 1) The entrance, which is complete.
- 2) Refurbishing the areas along UMRR.
- 3) Berm along Winding Stream, which will be addressed in a manner similar to that of the berm at Maritime.

XII. Members were reminded to check CDD e-mail regularly.

XIV. Sunshine Law reiterated

XV. The next committee meeting is scheduled for Friday, April 2, 2021.

XVI. Meeting was adjourned at 4:04 p.m.