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Venetian Community Development District

**Board of Supervisors' Meeting
February 14, 2022**

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**VENETIAN
COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT**

Venetian River Club, 502 Veneto Boulevard, North Venice, Florida 34275

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February 8, 2022

Board of Supervisors
**Venetian Community
Development District**

REVISED AGENDA

Dear Board Members:

The regular meeting of the Board of Supervisors of Venetian Community Development District will be held on **Monday, February 14, 2022 at 9:30 a.m.** at the Venetian River Club located at 502 Veneto Boulevard, North Venice, Florida 34275. The following is the agenda for this meeting:

1. **CALL TO ORDER/ROLL CALL**
2. **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**
3. **PUBLIC COMMENT**
4. **MANAGEMENT STATE OF AFFAIRS UPDATE BY VESTA**
5. **DISTRICT ENGINEER STAFF REPORT**
 - A. Discussion and Update Regarding Bid Tabulation Form for Road Rejuvenation
6. **BUSINESS ITEMS**
 - A. Review of January 2022 Field Inspection Report Tab 1
 - B. Consideration of LMP Proposal 75912 for Ligustrum Root Drench and Foliar Application Tab 2
 - C. Discussion and Approval to Form a Joint Workgroup Between the VCDD, the POA, and the Venetian Community Association to Work Collaboratively on Issues Related to the Proposed Shopping Center Across Laurel Road
 - D. Discussion and Consideration of Moving Forward with Relocating the POA Staff to the River Club
 - E. Appointment of Fitness/Pool Advisory Committee Member
 - F. Discussion Regarding Meetings and Workshops
 - G. Discussion Regarding Tiki Bar
7. **BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION**

None
8. **CONSENT ITEMS**
 - A. Acceptance of Advisory Committee Meeting Minutes..... Tab 3
 1. Reserve Advisory Committee Meeting of November 15, 2021
 2. Fitness and Pool Advisory Committee Meetings of November 17, 2021 and December 15, 2021
 3. Racquet Sports Advisory Committee Meeting of December 13, 2021
 4. Social and Dining Advisory Committee Meeting of December 8, 2021
 5. Strategic Direction Advisory Committee Meeting of January 11, 2022

9. STAFF REPORTS

- A. District Counsel
- B. River Club
- C. Field Manager
- D. District Manager

10. SUPERVISOR REQUESTS AND COMMENTS

11. ADJOURNMENT

We look forward to seeing you at the meeting. In the meantime, if you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me at (239) 936-0913. **Please note that masks are required for unvaccinated individuals at the River Club.**

Very truly yours,
Belinda Blandon
Belinda Blandon
District Manager

cc: Andrew Cohen: Persson, Cohen & Mooney, P.A.

Tab 1

VENETIAN

FIELD INSPECTION REPORT



January 21, 2022

Rizzetta & Company

John R. Toborg, Manager – Field Services



Rizzetta & Company
Professionals in Community Management

Summary, River Club

General Updates, Recent & Upcoming Maintenance Events

- **During the month of March, all Bahia turf shall receive an application of 200 lbs. (4 – 50 lb. bags) of 25-0-11 fertilizer along with a second application of a pre-emergent herbicide. Additionally, all St. Augustine turf shall receive an application of 1250 lbs. (25 – 50 lb. bags) of 25-0-11 fertilizer with a second application of a pre-emergent herbicide. And finally, all Celebration Bermudagrass shall receive an application of 20 lbs. (<1 – 50 lb. bag) of 25-0-11 fertilizer along with a second application of a pre-emergent herbicide. LMP to notify me and clubhouse staff at least five days prior to each application and check into the clubhouse on the day of application so on-site staff can verify quantities and type of fertilizer.**
- **During the course of this inspection, there were several areas of turf on both sides of Veneto that were being replaced.**

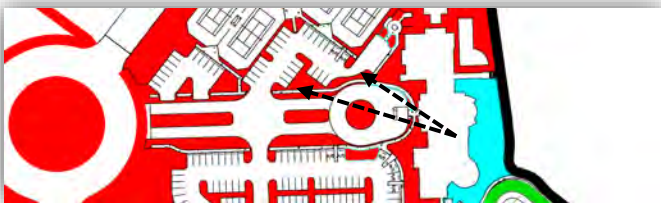
The following are action items for LMP to complete. Please refer to the item # in your response listing action already taken or anticipated time of completion. **Red text** indicates deficient from previous report. **Bold Red text** indicates deficient for more than a month. **Green text** indicates a proposal has been requested. **Blue** indicates irrigation. **Bold & Underlined** is info or a question for the BOS. **Orange** is items for Staff to address.

1. **Mulch has been completed throughout the community with the exception of the cul-de-sacs. These are being held off due to the potential landscape enhancements of all or some.**

2. With the above statement in mind, I would like to have LMP apply a sufficient layer of mulch to cover the beds outside the gym entrance that were recently enhanced. Install & Invoice.

3. Trim the Tree Ligustrum off the gym walls on the parking lot side of the gym.

4. Lower the Schefflera in the triangular planting area between the L-shaped parking lot and the entrance driveway. Remove Tree Ligustrum water shoots. Keep sidewalk clear of Tree Ligustrum near the golf cart parking area. (see below)



5. There are at least two slices in the irrigation drip lines in the failing Sandankwa Viburnum hedge leading to the service area behind the River Club. (Pic 5)



6. More Sweet Viburnum have been planted in the buffer separating the River Club parking lot from the residents across Pond 12 on Portofino & Torcello Ct.

7. The third Tree Ligustrum from the roundabout on the incoming lane of the RC driveway is mostly dead. LMP to trim out dead to see what remains. Apply fungicide. (Pic 7>)

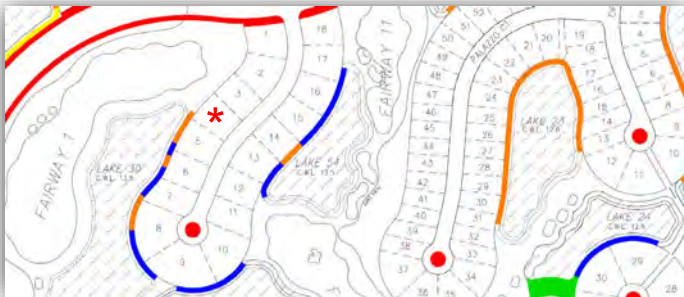
River Club, Cappello, Treviso Ct., Tiziano Way

8. Remove invasives from the Firecracker Plants in the decorative urns on the RC sign wall columns.
9. Hand pull dead growth from all Foxtail Ferns throughout the community.
10. Tip the Star Jasmine at the RC main sign monument.
11. Inspect some of the Awabuki Viburnum in the buffer between the tennis courts and Cappello. It is thinning and may be suffering from Powdery Mildew. I might recommend a rejuve cut of the Oleander in this same buffer. It is becoming leggy in the shade.
12. **Should the CDD be installing and paying for a landscape bed behind a home on the west side of Martellago south? According to the maintenance exhibit, the only maintenance behind these homes are wherever the ornamental grasses are planted - dark blue. (see below)**

13. There is a Paurotis palm on the inbound side of Treviso Ct. that judging from the large amount of cut trunks present, has suffered from Ganoderma for quite a while. There is presently a cock on a trunk that is dead. This tree and rootball needs to be completely removed. We should not plant another palm in its place. I will request a proposal for this to be performed in the proposal section. (Pic 13)



14. **The Bougainvillea in the decorative pots at the Tiziano monument still needs to be trimmed and the Tree Ligustrum still need to have water shoots removed.**
15. When will the ornamental grasses leading to the Tiziano Lift Station be cut to a low mound and have weeds eradicated?
16. Can LMP prescribe a treatment to rejuvenate the Sandankwa Viburnum beyond the Tiziano monument? Many are “see-thru” and 2-3 should be replaced. However, I feel this variety of Viburnum is not a suitable plant for this location. Are these getting sufficient water? I would recommend switching to Milorganite fertilizer as these plants require a lot of organic matter to grow in.
17. **The interior Loropetalum on the inside planted ring of the Tiziano Way cul-de-sac still need to be removed. It is too crowded in there for them to thrive.**



Mestre Place, Padova Way, Otello, Burano

18. Monitor the Gold Mound in the inner ring of planted material in the Mestre Place north cul-de-sac. Many have become defoliated.

19. The Palermo monument also has not received mulch.

20. I'm not quite sure who trimmed the Medjool on Padova Way north cul-de-sac, but too many healthy green fronds were removed. This removed very valuable food producing fronds. The spec calls for a 9:3 horizontal to be maintained and only brown or broken fronds to be removed. (Pic 20)



20. Trim out several dead branches on a Tree Ligustrum on the inbound side of San Marco (Padova Way). Spray and/or drench a fungicide as a preventative. (Pic 20)



21. We will continue to monitor an Oak on the east side of Veneto between Padova and Montelluna. Although not a good time of year to diagnose, there is a lot of dieback at the top of the tree which is usually indicative of a tree being planted too deeply or girdled roots. This tree does have a girdled root. (Pic 21)



22. Inspect the Bougainvillea in the upper decorative pot on the Otello monument. It appears to be on the decline. Diagnose and treat accordingly.

23. The ornamental grasses on the outbound side of Otello have been cut but still need to have weeds treated.

24. Remove dead growth from the sideyard buffer next to the last house on the outbound lanes of Martellago Way north. (see below)



25. We must treat the bed line along the Otello wall like any other and make sure it is defined, soft-edged and weeded as required, per spec. Remove Brazilian Peppers from the area north of Pond 17B, east of Burano.

Otello, Veneto At Brunello, Savona Way, Avalini Way

26. When will the Otello wall receive mulch? Per spec, this is supposed to receive coco brown shredded cypress. (Pic 26)



27. Inspect some siltation forming around 6 o'clock on the Lerida cul-de-sac. Is this being caused by an irrigation break? (Pic 27)



28. LMP to inspect this area near Brunello thoroughly for an irrigation leak. There is always a muddy situation along the curb line every inspection. (Pics 28a & b>)

29. The Cipriani Way south cul-de-sac was still completely unruly and uneven upon arrival however, crews were on their way to this cul-de-sac, and it should be complete by day's end.

30. I feel turf at Cipriani north entrance, both sides, should be eradicated and replaced.

31. Inspect a declining Cocoplum on the Valenza Ct. cul-de-sac. Diagnose and treat accordingly.

32. Remove dead growth from the Crinum Lilies on Ciltadella inside gates and trim Tree Ligustrums' tops.

33. Diagnose why so much Dw. India Hawthorn on the outbound side of Savona Way north along Pesaro is dying. Is irrigation working here? Entomosporium? Chili Thrip?

34. The Tree Ligustrum and Dw. Firebush still need to be delineated at the Artisti monument.

35. By what date will the Sweet Viburnum hedge along Laurel Road be lowered to a consistent height? Especially visible from Avalini Way.



Avalini Park, Laurel Road West, Medici Berm Laurel Rd. Side

36. We still have a very large Brazilian Pepper in one of the beds inside Avalini Park. (Pic 36)



37. If any freezing weather burns our Dw. Firebush throughout the property, LMP needs to plan on cutting it all **to the ground** so it can rejuvenate from the roots.

38. What is LMP's intentions on drenching any Magnolias that are not thriving? This has been mentioned in the past.

39. There are also brown limbs now on the western-most Tree Ligustrum on Laurel. Prune back and apply a preventative fungicide.

40. These two enhancements were from a request in the November report – removing failed turf and replacing with Confederate Jasmine. I think the beds need to be connected. What was added as far as irrigation is concerned? (Pic 40)



41. There remain a lot of dead fronds in the Chinese Fan Palm clusters along Laurel Road – both sides of the main entrance.

42. I will take another look at the eastern-most Washington Palm east of the main entrance to see if the crown has opened further. IMO, the crown is compact compared to the others. (Pic 42)



43. Eradicate a large Brazilian Pepper east of the driveway into the water plant on the other side of Laurel Road. (Pic 43>)

44. Hand pull Spanish Moss from all trees on the Medici Berm up to a height of 15'.

Laurel Road, Veneto At Brunello

45. We have received a proposal to remove all Dw. India Hawthorn as well as all Juniper along Laurel Road from Ciltadella to the western end of the property.

46. Going into spring, reduce the Jatropha crowns by 30%. Let's keep these full and compact.

47. On the east side of Cipriani Way south (Brunello), there is another area that is holding water on the sidewalk. We should look at creating another gutter from the sidewalk to the curb line. (Pic 47>)

48. The Confederate Jasmine in the RC parking lot still needs to be tipped.



Proposals

1. Mulch has been completed throughout the community by an outside third party. I would like to have LMP apply a sufficient layer of mulch to cover the beds outside the gym entrance that were recently enhanced. Install & Invoice.
2. There are a couple Ixora in the lava rock raised bed behind the parking lot gate into the pool that need to be pulled and replaced. I would also like some of the areas where spacing is wider to have new plants installed as well. Use 3 Gal., FULL plants. However, do not extend underneath the Tree Ligustrum crown. (Pic 2)



3. In conjunction with Item 13, LMP to provide a proposal to completely remove the dying Paurotis Palm (including rootball) on the inbound side of Treviso Ct. (Pic 3)



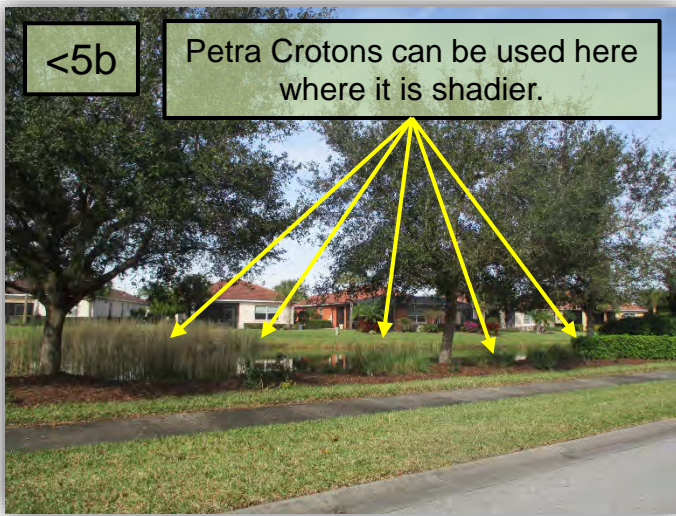
4. LMP to provide a proposal to Install 3 Gal., FULL Petra Croton on 30" centers (in a natural back and forth pattern) to create a solid visual buffer from the corner of Ciltadella and Pesaro southward on Ciltadella where there are currently no tall hedges. The existing Burfordii Hollies can be relocated to another area to provide a solid buffer elsewhere as they are not effective here. (Pic 4)



5. South of the area in Item 4, and closer to the gates, LMP to provide a proposal to install groups of three (3 - triangular) 3 Gal., FULL Dw. Firebush "Lime Sizzler", in between the Queen Emma Crinum Lilies. Petra Crotons can be used under the shade of the Oaks southward where there is no existing visual buffer. Fill this side up to create a solid visual buffer between the homes on Savona Way south and cars on Ciltadella. (Pics 5a & b>)



Proposals



Tab 2



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Estimate

Submitted To:
Venetian CDD 3434 Colwell Ave Suite 200 Tampa, FL 33614

Date	2/2/2022
Estimate #	75912
LMP REPRESENTATIVE	
SR	
PO #	
Work Order #	

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DESCRIPTION	QTY	COST	TOTAL
<p>Root drench and Foliar application for 304 Ligustrums at Venetian. This includes 1 application of insecticide and 1 retreatment of Fungicide. This Application will take care of Leaf Spot along with killing the Blight on all of the Ligustrum. Retreatment of Fungicide will be done in 2 weeks after initial application is completed. Nutrient Application is highly recommended after Foliar Application has been completed and will be turned in on a later day.</p> <p>Ligustrum Root drench and Foliar Application</p>	304	25.44	7,733.76

TERMS AND CONDITIONS:

TOTAL	\$7,733.76
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LMP reserves the right to withdraw this proposal if not accepted within 30 days of the date listed above. Any alteration or deviation to scope of work involving additional costs must be agreed upon in writing as a separate proposal or change order to this proposal. Periodic invoices may be submitted if job is substantial in nature with final invoice being submitted at completion of project. Any work performed requiring more than 5 days to complete is subject to progressive payments as portions of the work are completed. No finance charge will be imposed if the total of said work is paid in full within 30 days of invoice date. If not paid in full within 30 days, then customer is subject to finance charges on the balance of the work from the invoice date at a rate of 1.5% per month until paid. LMP shall have the right to stop work under this contract until all outstanding amounts including finance charges are paid in full. Payments will be applied to the oldest invoices.

ACCEPTANCE OF PROPOSAL: The above prices, scope of work and terms and conditions are hereby satisfactorily agreed upon. LMP, Inc. has been authorized to perform the work as outlined and payment will be made as outlined above. The above pricing does not include any unforeseen modifications to the said irrigation system that could not be reasonably accounted for prior to job start. All plant material carries a one (1) year warranty provided LMP, Inc. is performing landscape maintenance services to the area installed or enhanced at the time of installation. If not, then there is no warranty on the plant material.

OWNER / AGENT

DATE

Tab 3

Venetian Community Development District
502 Veneto Boulevard North Venice, FL 34275
Reserve Finance Committee
Committee Meeting November 15, 2021

Attending Members: Jerry Jasper, Cheryl Harmon Terrana, David Moy, Rich Bracco - VCDD Liaison

Absent: Don Regier

Call to Order: Meeting was called to order at 2:03 PM. Minutes from the following; 6/21/21 meeting, 9/20/21 workshop and 10/22/21 workshop were approved.

Old Business: Update from the CDD Board of Supervisors (Rich Bracco)
The VCDD board unanimously approved the proposals from PRAG as well as the bank loan application. After approval at the November 22, 2021 VCDD meeting, the bank loan will lock in the 2.4% rate for the twenty (20) year loan and will close on February 1, 2022.

New Business:

- A. The board reviewed the following documents related to refunding. All agreed with the thoroughness and finding in the Debt Refunding Note, Verification Report from Integrity and the Delegation Resolution and Escrow Deposit Agreement authored by Greenberg Traurig.
- B. The September 2021 financial statement were reviewed. Nothing exceptional or new was highlighted to be discussed.
- C. The Reserve Account was discussed and two action items were identified. Jerry Jasper will contact Drew Isaac and Associates to address a new Reserve study. Cheryl Harmon will discuss the line item issue with Rizzetta & Company, Inc.

Other Business: Rich Bracco announced that Ken Smaha has left the committee and will join the VCDD board.

Next meeting date is Monday, December 20 @2:00 pm.
Minutes submitted by David Moy.

Venetian Community Development District
502 Veneto Boulevard
North Venice, FL 34272
Fitness/Pool Advisory Committee (FPAC)
Meeting Minutes-November 17, 2021

Attending Members: Livvy Faford, Denise Payton, Nancy Spokowski and Richard Derby

Call to order: Nancy Spokowski called the meeting to order at 10:01 AM. Quorum was established.

Old Business

- A. Reviewed Pool and Fitness Rules and Regs. Nancy and Denise made slight changes to the grammar.
- B. Spa problems seem to stem from people turning off the spa timer. Timer should be left on to run out and the emergency shut off should not be used as an "on/off switch".
- C. Items on order for the Fitness have not arrived yet. Pool showers should arrive by the 2nd week of December. Gym Tech found that the deck belts are wearing out and suggested flipping the tread rather than replacing the belt to save money. A quote was provided to flip the deck and replace the drive belts for \$4,272.50.
- D. Pool Entry Gates quote is still pending.
- E. The Pool Attendants seem to be working out fine. Their schedules will be adjusted to accommodate the holiday week. A high-top table will be acquired for the attendant's station.

New Business

- A. Search for Tennis and Fitness director is ongoing.
- B. A ceiling fan is being determined pending a quote. Temperature in the fitness center has to be 68 degrees according to code.
- C. Repair of wipe dispenser is Pending.
- D. Need a sign in pool area directing members to bathrooms according to code.
- E. Discussion of guest use of fitness center. Apparently, members are giving passes to friends who come from their communities to use our facility frequently.

Next Meeting and Adjournment:

Next meeting to be held December 15th, 2021

Meeting adjourned at 11:12 AM

Minutes submitted by Richard Derby

Venetian Community Development District
502 Veneto Boulevard
North Venice, FL 34275
Fitness/Pool Advisory Committee
Meeting Minutes December 15, 2021, 10:00 AM

Attending Members: Livvy Faford, Denise Payton Nancy Spokowski and Richard Derby.
Also, Present was Paul Varner, the new Tennis, Pool, and Fitness Director.

Absent: Ernest Booker, Frank Butry

Call to Order: 10:09 AM

Discussion items:

Old Business:

- A. Ceiling fan quote not received yet. Temperature controls are now in a locked box so the temperature cannot be altered, except by staff.
- B. Treadmill belts have arrived. The "tread bars" are in a container in California.
- C. New pool signage is being coordinated by Denise.
- D. Weights and mats are still on backorder. Pool showers are partially installed and waiting on the concrete to set.
- E. Pool entry gates may need extensive work which includes rewiring and making them compliant with the ADA.
- F. Denise reported that the Pool Attendants were working out very well. Their schedules have been adjusted for maximum coverage.

New Business:

- A. Discussion with Paul Varner regarding his duties and responsibilities including the quarterly Fitness Center machine maintenance, quarterly floor cleaning and open items not completed previously.
- B. Discussion regarding Lap Pool reservation system including need by some residents to train for longer periods. It was generally agreed we should find a way to accommodate them by having them call Denise or Dale.
- C. Pool attendant table has been acquired.
- D. Apparently, tennis players have been tracking clay all around the Fitness Center and the Tiki Bar/Pool area. The Pool Attendants need to watch for this as well as checking coolers for outside food and beverages and preventing ball throwing.
- E. Nancy Spokowski suggested, and it was agreed, that we should advertise for people to fill Committee positions.
- F. We have a new Health Inspector, and she has called out several deficiencies including Spa Temperature and the labeling of all shut off valves. Denise suggested we should get an employee certified to test the pool and spa water.
- G. We need to account for Zoom classes – who is using the service and are they residents.
- H. Consideration for requiring guest passes to use any facilities.

Next meeting and Adjournment:

Next meeting to be held on January 19, 2022
Meeting adjourned at 11:44 AM
Minutes submitted by Richard Derby

Venetian Community Development District
502 Veneto Boulevard
North Venice, FL 34275
Racquet Sports Advisory Committee

Minutes of the RSAC Meeting Held on December 13, 2021

Members Present

Alan Lands
Mark Faford
Jack Challenger
Pat Hinsch
Pam Perry
Sandra Nick

Management Present

Ernest Booker, VCDD Board Liaison
Denise Payton, River Club Manager
Paul Varner, Director of Tennis and Fitness

1. Call to Order

Meeting was called to order at approximately 2:04 PM.

2. Establish a Quorum

A quorum was established with six members present in person.

3. Approval of Minutes – A motion was made, and seconded to approve the minutes of the November 8, 2021 RSAC meeting. The motion passed unanimously.

4. Liaison Statement –

A. **Pickleball** - VCDD Liaison Supervisor Ernest Booker stated that the struggle continues with regard to pickleball. Mr. Booker believes that a solid majority of residents supports pickleball and will prevail. The Venetian has complied with all the requests of the Planning Commission. Mr. Booker anticipates that a Planning Commission meeting will convene in January, 2022. The Planning Commission previously recommended to put pickleball next to our current amenities, i.e tennis and fitness. The City of Venice has advised the VCDD that we have complied with their requests and suggestions. The final decision rests with Venice City Counsel.

Mr. Booker advised that the supporters of pickleball need to wake up because there is a group that clearly opposes pickleball because of noise. He stated that pickleball is a pre-existing attractive nuisance. However, there should be

no surprises to any residents since pickleball is compatible with tennis. There is a movement supplying false information. Mr. Booker further advised that there was a sufficient response by Marshall Happer and Jerry Jasper to misrepresentations circulating within the Venetian. The cost of pickleball is not going to be near \$175,000. The statement by the opposition that we need a majority of homeowners was incorrect and erroneous. Jerry Jasper's statement addresses all those issues. Sandi Nick is like a lone soldier fighting this battle. We need to wake up. If you support pickleball Mr. Booker recommended that you should sign a petition.

Committee Member Jack Challenger inquired as to the grounds of the opposition petition. Mr. Booker summarized that the opposition involves excessive noise and reduced parking. The opposition is also claiming that the Venetian will fall under the required allotment of parking spots. Also, another park is being built that has already has pickleball. Mr. Booker pointed out that there are 5000 homes to be built in this area that will stress the park facilities and that the other pickle ball courts won't be beneficial to the Venetian community. Sandi Nick has had a lot of help with 200 signatures. However, the pickleball supporters declined to go door to door. Chairwoman Pat Hinsch advised that we have petitions for anyone to sign. Mr. Booker advised that an upcoming newsletter will summarize the reasons to support pickleball.

B. Introduction of Paul Varner, Tennis and Fitness Director

Rudy Seurattan, Vesta VP for amenities in South Florida introduced the new Director of Tennis and Fitness, Paul Varner. Rudy stated that Mr. Varner recalls this community and development of the amenities. Mr. Varner stated that it's nice to be back. Mr. Seurattan stated that it was good news to find the right person who cares about you and the game of tennis. Rudy further stated that we don't want to talk about the things that aren't right with tennis. Paul Varner was the corporate director in Bradenton for another company. Rudy stated that Paul has sensitivity regarding the condition of the courts and is approachable. Rudy stated that with support from the RSAC we can address some of the RSAC's concerns. Pat Hinsch stated that on behalf of the committee Paul will have our support.

5. Public Comment

Jill Pozerak recommended that we keep the basketball court. She indicated that she expects the city to approve pickleball. Jill further stated that the CDD has been hesitant to do a sound study. Committee Member Sandi Nick stated that she had never seen a sound barrier because tennis and pickleball play side by side.

Billy Lachman stated that part of the basketball hoop is broken and someone is going to get hurt. Committee Member Alan Lands stated that basketball and pickleball should not be on the same court. Paul Varner agreed, stating that he would advise moving the basketball backboard to a different location.

Nancy Spokowski stated that Paul Varner's job is supposed to be fitness, pool and racket sports and that the RSAC should also focus on pool and fitness facilities. (RSAC is an abbreviation for Racquet Sport Advisory Committee)

Paul Varner stated that fitness is combined with aquatics. Tennis players need the fitness and pool to get in shape. Supervisor Booker asked Paul Varner if he could give the Committee some of his background with regard to court maintenance. Paul stated that he had been facilities maintenance director at other clubs.

Cliff Vines stated that he has been teaching here for 15 years. Charlie Sandomenico gave him the opportunity to create his programs and camp for children ages 5-12. Cliff stated that 90% of his youth students come to visit grandparents and that hopefully they had a good experience. He also stated that he gave some private lessons. He previously was teaching college and came to the Venetian when he was 55 years of age. He stated that he plays 15 tournaments a year and does a couple hours per week teaching tennis.

6. **New Business**

- A. Introduction of New Tennis Director – See 4B above
- B. Pickleball – (See 4A above)
- C. Amendment to Tennis Rule 1 to allow players designated on different courts to re-mix players during a session without violating Rule 1, Tabled by Consent.

7. **Old Business**

- A. RSAC/FAC November Workshop Update – Pat Hinsch advised that Ritzman, Denise and Jake inspected the drainage issue on tennis courts 5 & 6. Ritzman was provided photos so that they could determine where to add material. One type of top dress causes more slippery conditions, whereas another type causes less slippery conditions. Ritzman recommended that we keep the trench drains and that they be cleaned on a monthly basis. The underground Hydrocourt system was also discussed and they explained how much water should be absorbed into the material. Ritzman recommended some daily and monthly adjustments.

With regard to lighting, Jill Pozerak had communication with the electric company. Jill stated that the joint committee is trying to see how the lights can be improved. Jill explained to Synergy that at night, tennis balls hit high into the air are not sufficiently visible. Denise Payton arranged to have

Synergy inspect the lights and because the Venetian converted to LED lights, the “heads” have to be replaced. Denise stated that we should only do a couple of courts at a time.

- B. Tennis Reservation System and Club Essentials – Committee Member Mark Faford summarized some of the Club Essentials changes and pending items, including:
1. The Tennis Rules are now on the website;
 2. All resident names on a reservation now appear on all device platforms;
 3. If a court is vacant no reservation is required;
 4. All changes to Rule 1 and the penalties are on the website;
 5. The pop-up message stating, “exclusive rights for 10 minutes” does not grant exclusive rights and a disclaimer has now been added to the face page of the tennis reservation website;
 6. Mark stated that a name could be entered twice in prime time, however Denise advised that was fixed and a name could be entered only once despite a club member’s ability, under the rules, to play multiple times during the day. Subsequent reservations that include the same resident, must be made through the tennis office.
 7. Mark stated that another open item was whether Club Essential could give us data on individual play. Once we have that data league play at our facility should be added. Denise Payton stated that within 2 weeks she would allow an RSAC member to extract that data from the computer;
 8. Pat Hinsch advised that we still need information regarding the number of times club members play tennis during prime time.
- C. Tennis Court Canopies Update – Pat Hinsch advised that the canopies are worn out and we sent the company a package. Denise Payton sent a template to the company and the fabric is on back order. Denise Payton advised that when he gets the template, we will have the canopies shortly. Denise advised that it will be the 3rd time he’s made the canopies. Pat Hinsch advised that we’re waiting for fabric to come in. She further advised that the PVC pipes are starting to bend and Paul Gress made some suggestions.
- D. Fence Repair Update - On court #2 balls are going under the new fence and players shouldn’t bend the fence to get balls. Denise Payton is trying to figure out how to prevent the balls from going underneath the new fence. Denise proposed solutions to balls going under the fence on court #2. Denise Payton inspected the fence before payment. Denise Payton stated that any reputable company should come back to fix the fences where necessary. Barbara Puccia stated that on court #4 balls are going under the gate, by the shed because one door is higher than the bottom of the fence. Denise Payton will talk to Jake. Pat Hinsch stated that there won’t be any further

fence repairs in the near future. Committee Member Jack Challenger asked about the status of painting the light poles. Denise Payton stated that the entry door can be painted by hand and we have the paint for the entry ways. Denise Payton stated that all poles can't be painted and that we will do what we can with entrance ways using our own maintenance staff.

- E. Tennis Court Lights Update – (See 7A above)
- F. 2021-2022 Men's and Ladies' Interclub and Leagues - Monday 3.0 Ladies Interclub will happen at some point after the holidays. Charlie had agreed to set up a schedule. A member of the public asked why there was a makeup of a Tri-Cities match at 9:30AM due to a prior rain out. Pat Hinsch advised that the Ladies TriCities league doesn't allow match play after noon. Last Friday, JEPVVKO courts were booked 11 to 2. Players came at 12:30 so the courts were vacant from 11 to 12:30. Pat Appolonia stated that there were 5 empty courts on Friday from 11 to 2. Denise will contact Jim Kelley regarding the start time of 12:30.
- G. Identify Social Players and Interclub League Players – Alan Lands, a Committee Member stated that it would be helpful to have more information about the number of social players vs. interclub players.
- H. Future Tennis Social Events - Pat Hinsch stated that we should connect a tennis event with happy hour.
- I. Frequency of Prime Time Play – More data is needed before Prime Time Play is limited.
- J. Action Report –
 - 1. Guest Report for November – Denise Payton did not prepare a guest report for this meeting.
 - 2. Standing Water Between Courts 3 & 5 – Water should not be turned on because the plants are drought resistant and the plants don't need water. Denise Payton stated that she talked to the maintenance staff about solutions. Denise Payton also stated that in the rainy season the cause of water accumulation is rain and not necessarily the irrigation. Making any modifications in the concrete is too costly.
 - 3. Tennis Rule 1 Penalties – Publication of penalties has been completed.
 - 4. Sanding and Painting of Light Poles – Completed.
 - 5. Shade Sail – Installed
 - 6. Electrical Cord Running Across Courts 5 & 6 - Outstanding
 - 7. Benches On All Courts – Denise Payton stated that benches were ordered.

Discussion – Committee Member Jack Challenger stated that the lighting on the courts is a real problem. The quote to improve the lighting for 6 courts is \$29,000. Denise Payton stated that residents will complain if lights are too bright. Jack asked if we have money to replace all of the lights. Denise Payton stated that would be a board decision. Denise Payton stated that several years ago the Board decided to replace with LED lights.

A Member of the Public, Pat Appolonia asked if the committee is satisfied with the extension of the baselines. Alan Lands stated that other communities with HarTru courts have the baseline and the sideline perfectly aligned.

A Member of the Committee, Pam Perry asked if the tennis shed is going to be the same color. She stated that it took 6 months to approve the shed construction and the shed roof should match.

Sandi Nick commented that the RSAC previously had 7 members and now has 6 members. The consensus was to wait until pickleball is decided.

Supervisor Booker recognized Jake who is a superstar in the making. Applause for Jake.

8 Adjournment: A motion was made, seconded and approved unanimously to reschedule the next meeting from January 10, 2022 to January 24, 2022. Motion to adjourn the meeting at approximately 3:50PM, seconded and approved unanimously.

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Social & Dining Advisory Committee
Meeting Minutes December 8, 2021

Attending Members: Linda Cautero, Kathy Thomaston, Livvy Faford, Pat Jones, Sarah Quinn and Joe Browne. Also present were River Club staff members: Denise Payton, Tim Hall, Chris Vignolini and Paul Grothouse, and CDD Liaison Rich Bracco.

Absent: John Ballard and Daniel Nyselius

Call to Order: Linda Cautero, Chairwoman, called the meeting to order at 10:00 am. Minutes for meeting on November 10, 2021 were approved as corrected.

Old Business

A. Past Events

- “New Members” event was attended by 25-30 new residents and was well-received. Many other residents expressed interest but were not yet in town, so another event is scheduled for Friday, February 4 at 4:30pm.
- Thanksgiving dinner- 36 turkeys served to 280 people. Several residents asked about having leftovers available for “take-out”, so that will be considered for next year.
- Pop-up Dinner Dance- 80-90 attendees, was successful.
- Toys for Tots luncheon- Linda Cautero noted that it could have been more organized...there was no speaker to kick it off or thank attendees for their donations, Christmas decorations were missing due to supply chain and delivery issues. Speaker for next year is already scheduled.
- Bingo/Cheeseburger night is a big hit with \$18 price and 80+ attendees

B. Paul Grothouse has received professional training on “alcohol tips” which will allow him to be the local “expert” for tasting/dinner events, which will eliminate the expense of hiring someone with those skills in the future.

New Business

A. Discussion of upcoming luncheons. Promotion in the newsletter of the Mother’s House luncheon has caused confusion because the outside charity is handling the logistics of payment and donation checks instead of the usual charging by the River Club to a resident’s account. Chris will consider better ways of handling outside charity events for which he does not handle all details in the future.

B. Because of the unusually high number of private/resident holiday events, the River Club dining room will not be open for regular dining for one week in December.

C. Upcoming events:

- Holiday Party on December 18 has 81 people signed up which Chris feels is a good turnout.
- NYE event is sold out with a waiting list. Discussion ensued regarding when to require all names of attendees, to avoid tables not being filled on December 31.
- “Flying Solo” is an idea for a “singles” Happy Hour once a month at 4:30pm.. River Club team will look at possibility of starting this in January.

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Management Report

- A. Life-Style Events are being well-received and selling-out quickly. Two boats of 40 each have been reserved for the "Canal Lights Cruise". Upcoming classes in vase making and shark tooth jewelry are full.
- B. Staffing: Final interview being conducted for new tennis pro. Two pool attendants have been hired. Still have openings for 2 more servers and 1 cook.
- C. Tiki Bar Renovation: First quote has been received.
- D. After chandelier bracket failed in the dining room, Denise is having all chandeliers checked for safety.
- E. Plans for new showers by the pool.

Liaison Report

- A. Refinancing of bonds is completed, with \$14M bank loan at 2.4% interest, with same remaining term.
- B. Ken Smaha has been named to fill open seat on CDD Board.
- C. Joe Browne has been named the new Chairman of the Strategic Planning Committee.
- D. Terms expiring for 4 members of the Social Committee on December 31, 2021. Those are Linda Caution, Pat Jones, John Ballard and Kathy Thomaston.

Meeting adjourned at 11:30 am.
Next meeting is January 12, 2022
Minutes submitted by Pat Jones

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Strategic Planning Committee
January 11, 2022

Members Attended

Joe Browne
Rich Cautero
Jerry Lewis
Joe Polzak
Jill Pozarek
Julie Schaid
Ed Weiland

VCDD Liaison Ken Smaha (attended)

Homeowners

Diane Guardiano

1) Call to Order

Meeting was called to order at 11:00 AM.

2) Establish Quorum

Quorum with all seven members present.

3) Approve prior minutes

7-0 in favor to approve.

4) Homeowner comments

Diane Guardiano asked the committee consider the view that the privacy gate should not be manned, either at all or in the overnight hours. Reason is to save money in order to invest in other parts of the community. Discussion ensued.

5) New Business – develop goals, objectives and specific initiatives

Members agreed that specific updates to the Strategic Plan be captured in a “running draft” to be maintained by SPC Secretary. So-called Running Draft encompasses all portions of plan.

A. Goal/initiatives for Infrastructure

Discussed goal and initiatives for roads and sidewalks to ensure the existing review schedule has a specific timeframe and measures (repairs, cleanliness). Also agreed need to publish the schedule and responsible party so residents are apprised. The publication will be addressed under goal of Communications/Resident Engagement. Similar discussion of initiatives for ponds/lakes/other water resources.

B. Goal/Initiatives for Privacy/Security

- i. Discussed use of the word “security” as it pertains to front gate. How to balance any concern over the word “security” with the concept of “layers of security.” General agreement residents need to be fully informed of gate personnel role. To be addressed under Communications/Resident Engagement goal.
- ii. Broad agreement the technology and systems at the gate need to be assessed annually to allow for improved resident experience and improved efficiency and effectiveness of gate access.

C. Goal/Initiatives for River Club Facilities

- i. Began discussion of RC Facilities Goal/Initiatives. To be continued at next SPC meeting.

6) Approval of Plan by Board and resident input

Discussed sequencing and forum for feedback from Supervisors, Advisory Committees and residents. General agreement Supervisors see draft first and asked to provide input on format/extent of public forums. Suggestion the Supervisor liaison for each Advisory Committee solicit committee input in a scheduled meeting once draft available. Members not yet agreed on extent and means to solicit resident input.

Adjournment: 1:15PM