

Minutes
Grounds Committee Meeting
Thursday, March 21, 2024 at 3 pm
Nepenthe Clubhouse & Via Zoom

Members Present

Linda Cook, Chair & Zone 1 Steward
Theresa McCrackin, Zone 1
Jim Shaw, Zone 2
Diane Durawa, Zone 2
Liza Tafoya, Zone 3
Pam Livingston, Zone 4

Kathryn Schmid, Zone 4
Don Ellwanger, Zone 5
Joan Trotta, Zone 6
Kathy Waugh, Zone 6
Jan Beale, Zone 7

Also Present

Christina George, Board Liaison
Nicole Marks, General Manager
Oscar Lopez, Carson

Members Absent

Joleen Hecht, Zone 3
Jean Dascher, Zone 5

Homeowners Present

Tom Sessums, Carol Duke, Nina White, Cheryl Nelson, Ashley Tangeraas,
Mary Gray

Agenda Items

Linda Cook called the meeting to order at 3:00 pm.

Approval of February Minutes

A motion was made by **Jan Beale** and seconded by **Pam Livingston** to approve the Minutes for the February 15, 2024 meeting. Minutes approved.

Zone Walks

Committee members discussed improvements to Zone Walk scheduling and procedures. This discussion will continue at our April meeting.

AB 1572 and Future Landscaping Materials

Christina George, Board Liaison, and **Nicole Marks**, General Manager, as well as several Board members recently attended a meeting to learn more about Assembly Bill 1572, the Bill that would restrict the use of potable (drinking) water on grass that serves an aesthetic purpose only. To meet the provisions of the Bill, changes to Nepenthe's landscape would, most likely, be limited to replacing small tracts of nonfunctional turf with more water-saving ground cover.

Discussion about Nepenthe's future use of water-saving landscaping materials will continue as we learn more about the requirements of the Bill.

Landscape Remediations at 2023 Tree Removal Sites, Zones 1-6

During the next two weeks, Zone Stewards, **Oscar Lopez** (Carson), and the Board Liaison will meet at 2023 tree removal sites to make plans for remediation.

2024 Tree Walk Schedule

The Zone Stewards received the schedule for their 2024 Tree Walks with arborist, **Paul Dubois**. They will begin on March 25 with Zone 1.

Change to April Meeting Date of Grounds Committee

The date for the April meeting of the Grounds Committee has been changed to April 29.

Meeting Adjourned at 4:40 pm.

Next Grounds Committee Meeting:

April 29, 2024 at 3 pm

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