Grounds Committee Meeting Minutes

February 15, 2024 @ 3:00 PM Nepenthe Clubhouse

Members Present

Linda Cook, Chair & Zone 1 Steward Theresa McCrackin, Zone 1 Diane Durawa, Zone 2 Jim Shaw, Zone 2 Joleen Hecht, Zone 3 Kathryn Schmid, Zone 4 Pam Livingston, Zone 4 Don Ellwanger, Zone 5 Jan Beale, Zone 7

Members Absent

Liza Tafoya, Zone 3 Jean Dascher, Zone 5 Joan Trotta, Zone 6 Kathy Waugh, Zone 6 Also Present Christina George, Board Liaison

Homeowners Present

Julie Lane, Karen Lowrey, Dan Durawa, Paula Connors, Markus Dascher

AGENDA ITEMS

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

Minutes of Committee Meeting, January 18, 2024

A motion to approve the minutes of the January 18, 2024 meeting was made by **Kathryn** and seconded by **Diane.** Minutes were unanimously approved.

Liaison Report

With the aid of a PowerPoint presentation, **Christina** projected views of many of the remediation projects that have been completed in recent weeks.

Christina emphasized the value of reading the Grounds Committee minutes. That's where homeowners can get a clear and concise summary of discussions that take place and decisions that are made about a community topic that takes 30% of Management's time. "Grounds" does not simply mean landscaping. It includes trees, irrigation and the laws and regulations that govern them.

Review Organization Chart

Kathryn felt that reviewing and discussing the Organization Chart would be useful in understanding the workings of the committee and its relations to other entities, i.e. the liaison and management. The committee agreed to revisit the Organization Chart at the March meeting.

Carson Update

- Pre-Emergent in the planter beds will be scheduled the last week of February.
- Turf Pre-Emergent with barricade was completed on Monday, February 12.
- Weed control has been completed in the hardscape and planter areas of Zones 1-4. Carson is currently working in Zone 5. Next week, Carson will complete Zones 6 and 7.
- Irrigation evaluation/repairs were completed for Zones 1-3. Zone 5 will be completed by end of day on Friday. Irrigation evaluation/repairs will be completed next week for Zones 4, 6, and 7.
- Carson is still working on picking up all the debris from the storm last week; will finish that shortly.

Zone Walks

Linda asked the committee to discuss ways in which zone walks might be improved. She asked members to submit ideas either by email or in person at the next meeting. Don mentioned that zone stewards could check their zones as frequently as needed and submit their reports to the Chair. It was agreed to revisit this item at the March meeting.

Nepenthe Website Information

Theresa found six documents on the Nepenthe website that helped her understand the guiding principles of the Grounds Committee. Here's how to find them:

Google: nepenthehoa.com

Click: "Governance" at the top of the page Scroll down to: "Grounds Committee." Click on it. Scroll down to: "Important Documents:" Under "Important Documents" you'll find six useful items.

Adjourned at 4:30 pm

Next meeting: March 21, 2024