

**MINUTES OF MEETING
REMINGTON
COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT**

The regular meeting of the Board of Supervisors of the Remington Community Development District was held on Tuesday, **March 26, 2024** at 6:00 p.m. at the Remington Recreation Center, 2651 Remington Boulevard, Kissimmee, Florida.

Present and constituting a quorum:

Kenneth Soukup	Chairman
Pam Zaresk	Vice Chair
Brian (Ken) Brown	Assistant Secretary
Tim Mehrlich	Assistant Secretary
David Jaisingh	Assistant Secretary

Also present:

Jason Showe	District Manager
Scott Clark <i>by phone</i>	District Counsel
Alan Scheerer	Field Manager
William McLeod	DSI Security Services
Pete Glasscock	HWA
Residents	

FIRST ORDER OF BUSINESS

Roll Call

Mr. Soukup called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. and Mr. Showe called the roll. All Supervisors were present.

SECOND ORDER OF BUSINESS

Modifications to Agenda

Mr. Soukup: Are there any modifications to the agenda?

Mr. Showe: We have none.

THIRD ORDER OF BUSINESS

Security Report from DSI Security Services

Mr. Soukup: That brings us to the Security Report.

Mr. McLeod: Yes sir. In the past month, we had 11,249 residents go through the Partin Settlement Road gate, with 2,492 visitors. The E. Lakeshore Boulevard gate had 6,488 residents and 1,419 visitors, for a total of 21,648 altogether through our gates in the past month. We issued 126 citations, in the past 30 days. As far as tows, we attempted to make five tows, one of them was unsuccessful at 2722 Amanda Kay Way. The car was gone when the tow truck arrived. The four successful ones were a Honda Civic at 132 Southampton Drive on March 6th. We had two cars towed at 145 Southampton Drive, a Toyota Celica and Ford Mustang. At 3:26 a.m. last night, we towed a minivan from 619 Chadbury Way. We generated 636 reports, 262 of which were for 114 Westmoreland Circle, which we're still monitoring. We made 374 visits but issued no citations. Right now, the security staff is monitoring several addresses: 102 Thornbury Drive, 110 Thornbury Drive, 131 Southampton Drive, 145 Southampton Drive, 217 Southbridge Circle, 151 Owenshire Circle, 209 Cornwall Court, 2526 Brookstone Drive, 2564 Brookstone Drive, 2587 Brookstone Drive, the Airbnb at 2708 Portchester Court and 619 Chadbury Way. The house at 619 Chadbury Way, had 13 citations issued. However, when we try to tow, they see us coming and move the car. So, that's why they have so many citations and haven't been able to get the tow truck there to them yet. They were towed last night.

Mr. Mehrlich: Who puts the cars on the watch list for the houses?

Mr. McLeod: The staff. A lot of the houses have cameras, so when they see us coming, the officer will pull up behind the car, to begin the citation process, but in the middle of the citation process, the owner will move the car into the driveway. So, what our Site Supervisor has done now, is she advised staff to note the car, write the citation as much as they can, up to the sticker, away from the house, go back to it, put the sticker on, take the picture and drive away. That way it eliminates the time when they're sitting behind the car, because the ones that we're watching, are the ones that are committing the most violations.

Ms. Zaresk: That was a smart move on your part.

Mr. Soukup: Absolutely. Are there any questions on the Security Report?

Mr. Brown: I was thinking that we were going to have to increase the budget, when he said 11,249 residents were going through the Partin Settlement Road gate.

Ms. Zaresk: Do you have the address of the gentleman that keeps emailing?

Mr. Showe: Well, I only received two this month. If they're not getting to me, I can't assist.

Mr. Jaisingh: Is that Lucas Lane?

Mr. Showe: Yes.

Mr. McLeod: Oh, Lucas Lane. That was another one that we're looking at. That's another one that moves the car when they see us coming.

Mr. Mehrlich: Really. They are sitting there watching TV and watching the car?

Mr. McLeod: What happens is their Ring camera goes off and they receive a notification.

Mr. Soukup: Are there any other questions on the Security Report?

Ms. Zaresk: No.

FOURTH ORDER OF BUSINESS

Public Comment Period

Mr. Soukup: That brings us to the public comment period. There are no residents, so we'll close the public comment period.

FIFTH ORDER OF BUSINESS

Approval of Minutes of the February 27 2024, Board of Supervisors Meeting

Mr. Soukup: That brings us to approval of minutes from the February 27th meeting.

On MOTION by Ms. Zaresk seconded by Mr. Brown with all in favor the Minutes of the February 27, 2024 Board of Supervisors Meeting were approved as presented.

SIXTH ORDER OF BUSINESS

Consideration of Three-Year Holiday Lighting Agreement with TPG Lighting, LLC

Mr. Soukup: That brings us to the consideration of the three-year Holiday Lighting Agreement with TPG Lighting.

Mr. Showe: Sure. So, we went ahead and drafted a Lighting Agreement, in accordance with the Board's direction. He did give us the three-year discount of 10%. The agreement is drafted in a way that if we terminate the agreement, for that year, we will essentially have to just pay him back that 10% discount. So, it's a three-year term, but we have a way to get out and he has a way that he feels like is fair to him, if we get out before the three-year term.

Mr. Soukup: So, if we do it a year and then we decide to get out, we just pay him the 10%.?

Mr. Showe: We pay him the 10%, the \$1,000. I think it's \$1,012 and then that we're done. That's part of the termination or we go through the full three years.

Mr. Soukup: That seems fair.

Mr. Showe: But again, that's a fair way to do the discount and you have a way to terminate. Otherwise, you're stuck with it for three years. So, we felt like it was fair and Scott drafted the contract that's attached to it. So, if the Board's amenable, you can approve that agreement, and then we will proceed.

Mr. Soukup: Do we have a motion for approval?

Mr. Jaisingh: Hold on. Say in year two, we decided to terminate, are we just paying that 10%?

Mr. Showe: We would pay one year's worth of the 10%. Say you went through two years of it and on the third year you were like, "*Listen, we're not happy with the two years.*"

Mr. Jaisingh: Right.

Mr. Showe: We owe \$1,012.

Mr. Jaisingh: Instead of the full amount?

Mr. Showe: Yes.

Mr. Jaisingh: Okay.

Mr. Brown: Yeah. So, over the three-year period, we're saving \$3,000.

Mr. Showe: Correct. Yeah. That's covered in the contract.

Mr. Jaisingh: I think it's a good deal.

Mr. Showe: Yeah. In the event the District terminates, for convenience prior to the term, the District shall pay the contractor shall pay the annual service discount of \$1,012.04.

Mr. Mehrlich: Right.

On MOTION by Mr. Mehrlich seconded by Mr. Jaisingh with all in favor the Three-Year Holiday Lighting Agreement with TPG Lighting, LLC was adopted.

SEVENTH ORDER OF BUSINESS

Consideration of Renewal with Sharks and Minnows Swim School

Mr. Showe: This is the same agreement that we had in prior years. It was just updated. We've had a successful year and we would like to continue that partnership. Obviously, folks in the community get a discount, if they go through the program and this just goes through the term of this year. So far it seems to be working out well.

Mr. Brown: Do they tell us how many people they have?

Mr. Showe: We can get that information.

Mr. Brown: I'm just curious. I wonder if they have 20 or 5.

Mr. Showe: Yeah, I'll get that information.

Mr. Jaisingh: How long have they been with us?

Mr. Showe: Probably 10 years at this point.

Mr. Brown: It's been more than that, I think. It's been a long time.

Mr. Showe: Yeah, they've done very well. We use them in other communities as well and there's never really been any problems. They're really respectful of everybody else using the pool. They try to use it at times when it's not being used. So, if the Board's amenable, we recommend approval.

Mr. Brown: I'm just curious how many, because I think when they first came, they had a fair amount of people and I just wonder if it's kind of slacked off or if they keep with the same numbers.

Mr. Showe: I'll find out.

Ms. Zaresk: With the number of kids in this neighborhood, I can't imagine...

Mr. Scheerer: We have a lot of families.

Mr. Brown: Yeah.

On MOTION by Ms. Zaresk seconded by Mr. Brown with all in favor the Renewal with Sharks and Minnows Swim School was approved.

EIGHTH ORDER OF BUSINESS

Staff Reports

A. Attorney

Mr. Soukup: That brings us to Staff Reports.

Mr. Showe: You're up, Scott.

Mr. Clark: Okay. The only thing that I have to update the Board on, is our ongoing saga with the electrical damage. You will recall that after the county pointed finger at OUC, I sent a certified letter to OUC. They ignored me for a while. So, in the last several days, I sent a copy of the letter to each of the OUC Board members, which resulted in me getting a call and an email back this morning, saying that they were looking into it and would get back to me, whatever that

means. So, I'll continue to monitor it. We'll get something from them, get a no answer and then decide what, if anything, to do after that. So, I'll keep you posted.

Mr. Brown: Does he know whether there might be other avenues?

Mr. Showe: We haven't seen anything formally.

Mr. Brown: Okay. They asked me for your information. I didn't know if they contacted you or not.

Mr. Showe: They have not.

Mr. Brown: Okay.

Ms. Zaresk: I have a question. Scott, is there any more word on the training that we have to take and that contract we talked about? I think it was with the State of Florida.

Mr. Soukup: The ethics class?

Ms. Zaresk: The ethics class.

Mr. Clark: I have not seen anything else or heard any update on that. I still recommend that the Florida Association of Special District training is the best option that I'm aware of that's out there. I do know, from looking into their registration page, that it's possible to do a group registration. You cannot really take that program as a group, because it's designed for one on one, but if you wanted to go ahead and do it, each one of you could enroll and receive a distinct login and you could do the program at your own leisure, if you call that type of thing leisure.

Mr. Jaisingh: So, Scott is our District a member of this association?

Mr. Showe: No.

Mr. Jaisingh: It's not. So, we will have to pay the \$79?

Mr. Clark: Yes, it's \$79. Each of you individually would have to become members to take the discount, which would not be economic.

Mr. Showe: GMS is a member, so that we can continue to get updates and pass those on to our clients, but we haven't found a lot of value, really, in buying those individual memberships for our Districts.

Mr. Clark: No. I wouldn't recommend that. I'm a member, because they do legislative updates and different things that hopefully make me smarter.

Ms. Zaresk: Okay.

Mr. Showe: So, if you do sign up for that class, the Board did approve a resolution where Board Members would be reimbursed. You would just send us copies of the payment that you made and we'll reimburse you.

Ms. Zaresk: I just thought at some point, we might get a little more update of someplace, but that's fine. I guess we have to have it done by July. Is that correct?

Mr. Showe: No. It has to be done in this calendar year.

Mr. Clark: No. You have to have it done by the end of the year.

Ms. Zaresk: Okay.

Mr. Showe: December 31st. You you'll have to certify that you've taken it, when you do your form one for 2024, which is due in July of 2025.

Ms. Zaresk: Okay. Thank you.

Mr. Clark: Yeah, you got forever to do it. Don't sweat it.

Mr. Soukup: Is there anything else?

Mr. Clark: No, that's all I have.

Mr. Soukup: Okay.

B. Engineer

Mr. Soukup: The engineer is not here.

C. District Manager's Report

Mr. Soukup: That brings us to the District Manager's Report.

i. Approval of Check Register

Mr. Showe: Sure. The first item we have is the approval of the Check Register. In your General Fund, we have Checks #7242 through #7264 for \$546,271.37. I will note that there was a transfer of \$400,000 to the State Board of Administration (SBA) account, to get more interest. Those are pretty standard charges. Both Alan and I can answer any questions you have or we can take a motion to approve the Check Register.

Mr. Soukup: Are there any questions?

Mr. Jaisingh: No.

On MOTION by Mr. Jaisingh seconded by Mr. Brown with all in favor the February 17, 2024 through March 15, 2024 Check Register in the amount of \$546,271.37 was approved.

ii. Balance Sheet and Income Statement

Mr. Showe: Behind that, is your Balance Sheet and Income Statement. No action is required by the Board. We will note that you are performing better than budget to actuals. So, we're in good shape there. You're at 92% collected on our assessments. So, we're in good shape there.

iii. Presentation of OCSO Reports

Mr. Showe: Behind that, we have your Osceola County Sheriff's Office Reports. We did have a resident request about using playing pickleball on the tennis courts. We don't really have a position on it, but I will say that folks that are serious about tennis, tend to dislike the lines on the pickleball courts. So, we can certainly take it in whatever direction of the world would like, but that's generally been our experience is. It tends to cause a lot of friction, surprisingly.

Mr. Soukup: Yeah.

Mr. Showe: So, if you're not interested in it, we can just let the resident know that you're not interested and they can find other facilities.

Mr. Brown: Do we have a ton of pickleball players?

Mr. Scheerer: I saw some people playing today.

Mr. Jaisingh: Yeah, just about every day that I pass by, people are playing.

Mr. Brown: I wouldn't be opposed to maybe doing one and leaving the other one alone.

Mr. Showe: I'm not opposed to either, but I would say that Alan and I both have experience, with fist bites or over lines on the course.

Mr. Scheerer: I suggest that we convert a basketball court into pickleball.

Mr. Brown: That's weird that it would be an issue. Is it just because it's confusing?

Mr. Showe: It becomes harder to tell if the ball is in or out. When you add additional lines to a court, it becomes confusing.

Ms. Zaresk: It changes the game tremendously. I'm a tennis player and I would never play on a pickleball court.

Mr. Jaisingh: Let's think about it.

D. Field Manager's Report

Mr. Showe: With that, we can have Alan proceed with the Field Manager's Report.

Mr. Scheerer: Thank you. Everything is kind of redundant. The Amenity Center is in good shape. We did have some damage to broken locks to a couple of the partitions in the Men's Room. We got those fixed. The Fitness Center is in good shape. We told you at last meeting about some upgrades to the fitness equipment. Jason and I talked. We have \$10,000 in the budget for upgrades and fitness equipment. So, we approved a new treadmill. I believe the treadmill is coming tomorrow. David from Fitness Showcase, who does all the work here, wants to maybe use a multi-station and remove three pieces of the older equipment. I have some reservations about that, just from ADA compliance, just to make sure that we have the ability to move freely, not that we get a lot of people in here that are ADA. So, he's going to look at that and if that doesn't work, then we'll look to replace some of the older equipment with some newer equipment. So, that's happening. The cameras in here are doing well. The pool is in good shape. We had a couple of issues with kids dropping the handicap lift seat all the way down in the water. The battery is at 25%, so we reset the lift and pulled the batteries out. They are charging. Security is aware of it. If we have anybody that needs to use a lift, we'll put the battery on and that's just a phone call away. We can be here either before 10:00 a.m. or any time between 10:00 a.m. and when the rover comes on, they can put the battery in there. The gates are in pretty good shape. There are no real problems there. We had a couple of minor hiccups. The lakes are in good shape. Landscaping-wise, you may notice that the mulch was replaced. We have a little corner here with some pallets and bags. They are going to come pick those up. I tried to get a timeframe today before the meeting, but hopefully before the weekend, that will be removed. We also had all of the walls pressure washed in the neighborhood, as well as the white vinyl fencing. I think it makes a big difference. It looks really good. All of the roadway fitness equipment is in good shape. Obviously, we still have no power, which Scott touched on earlier. We did approve the proposal with Terry's. Hopefully they're going to mobilize soon so we can get hardwood fixed. One of the hardwood monuments on the entry side came loose, so we reattached that. So, that's been taken care of. We should have a proposal from Sunscape Consulting for a design plan for next year, which Jason and I will probably end up doing in the budget. We expect it to come in between \$20,000 and \$30,000, to completely redesign everything in here. So, we'll talk about that when that happens.

Mr. Jaisingh: Redesign what?

Mr. Soukup: Basically, coming in here and redesigning your landscaping, so it is all new. I know that we allocated some funding or requested funding. We allocate the money from the county. So, we're going to have Jason working on that. They're going to come in and come up with a design plan. That's the cost for them to design it. We'll have the prints. We'll have the design and then we can go to various contractors to get pricing to install it.

Mr. Jaisingh: Okay.

Mr. Soukup: Construction will probably start in here next month for the sidewalks. We have some sidewalk grooming and replacement. We haven't started it yet, but that's getting ready to start. We've been reviewing the sidewalks for the last couple of months. We had four dead Washingtonia palms and a couple of other palms that died. So, we had those removed. We flushed up those, so those are gone. We're having some issues with this asphalt at the Partin Settlement Road gate. I talked to Chet and we're going to close down the entry lane at the Partin Settlement Road gate and open the visitor lane. He's going to do his best job to saw cut and take care of some of those asphalt impressions that we have over there. Other than that, I think the property looks really good. The grass is probably some of the finest that I've seen in a while. Lord knows Jason and I were on Jeff this morning.

Mr. Showe: I'm jealous of the grass here.

Mr. Soukup: So good job. I put a lot of work into that over the years with new irrigation and sod. This is the best plan that TruGreen developed for your community. Knock on wood, we get a little bit of rain. So, I can answer any questions you have with that before we move on to the next item.

Mr. Jaisingh: I think the only issue that we have is our shrubs and our entryways. I think that's the only thing that we need to focus on and get done as soon as possible. I don't want the end of next year to come and the community still is in the same shape. We have some funds.

Mr. Scheerer: We are looking at \$20,000 to \$30,000 for design only and that doesn't include the landscaping.

Mr. Jaisingh: Right.

Mr. Soukup: It may not be something that you want to incur. I don't know what those costs are going to be, honestly. So, I can't tell you if it's going to be \$50,000, \$80,000 or 200,000.

Mr. Jaisingh: Right.

Mr. Soukup: It's not something we may not be able to absorb in one year. It may be something that needs to be done slowly. So, I'm on board. With the turf looking as good as it does and new landscaping coming in here, you're going to have a bunch of people envious of the way that the community looks.

Mr. Jaisingh: Right. We want it to happen progressively. We don't want everything to be incurred at one cost at one point.

Mr. Scheerer: We're on it. We'll get the numbers. You'll see it next month.

Mr. Jaisingh: Okay.

Mr. Mehrlich: Was it a bug that killed the palms?

Mr. Scheerer: Yes. It's called Fusarium Wilk or lethal yellowing or bronzing. What happens is Washingtonias, moved over into the Medjools. The Queen palms are the ones with the long, flowing fronds. Those are the ones that really started the Fusarium Wilt, the lethal yellowing. So, once that hits, you have two choices. The first choice is you have to remove the palm. There is speculation that the UF/IFAS Extension Office are doing their research and they may come out with something that says you can't replace palms for up there five years. It used to be that you could cut a Sable Palm or maybe a Foxtail or something like that, but now they're leaning more towards not putting any palms back for at least five years. If you want to do that, you need to remove all of the soil. So, you take all the soil out and put in brand new soil, because it's contaminated.

Mr. Jaisingh: Right. I have that issue. My palm is in the bucket still.

Mr. Brown: I had two Washingtonias that died when those five died across the street from Mr. Larry Hurley's house. Mine went at the same time that those did. I still have one left. I'm praying that it gets it, so I can cut it down.

Mr. Jaisingh: Who are we getting to do the design?

Mr. Scheerer: We're looking at Sunscape Consulting. That's the company we've been talking about the last couple of months. They're a Landscape Consultant and a design company.

Mr. Jaisingh: Do all of the entryways need to be replaced? Are we looking at pulling everything out and putting in new stuff?

Mr. Scheerer: Well, that would be your choice.

Mr. Showe: Yeah.

Mr. Jaisingh: Because I'm wondering if we need a consulting firm to come in and tell us that, because right now, from me driving from just Remington to here, in and out, a lot of the entryways are good, except for the area that we are going to talk about a little bit later.

Mr. Soukup: The entrance is good.

Mr. Jaisingh: Coming in from the East Lakeshore side, is kind of horrific, that we need to address. Coming from the other way, the shrubs are really nice. They're nice and green and full.

Mr. Scheerer: That will be up to you guys.

Mr. Jaisingh: Right.

Mr. Scheerer: I thought you wanted a long-term future outlook for the landscaping here in your community. So, we didn't piecemeal it. Okay? So, unless there's a Landscape Committee, which I brought up, I think, a couple meetings ago, if somebody wants to meet with me and REW, we can look at the entrances. Like I said, if you go to Glen Eagles, I think they have the nicest entrance. We totally redesigned that, based on information from REW, your landscape provider. Okay? You can get a design, but you don't have to implement the entire design. You can do the two entrances, which I would recommend, for both Lakeshore and Partin Settlement, and then you can pick and choose the interior neighborhoods that you want to do and whenever you want to do it. The point for me is, if I go out and I have no input from five Board members and I come up with a design, we're going to be back to Ms. Patrick's situation, where we wanted this, we don't want that, they want this, we want that. So, there has to be some cohesiveness between somebody on this Board or a Landscape Committee that's made up of residents in your community, to come up with some sort of an idea. If you don't want to go with the consultant idea, to have someone that comes in here and says, *"Here, this is what I recommend. These are drought tolerant; these are Florida friendly; these are something that's going to last you for 20 to 30 years,"* I can't do that. That's not what I do. That's why we look to people like REW and Down to Earth or whoever your landscape provider may be and/or something like Sunscape Consulting. You don't have to use it.

Ms. Zaresk: I would like to make a comment. We've been through this in our community. The idea of a Landscape Committee, is something that can go into the record and say, *"Okay, when that goes, we may not be ready to go now, but you've got a game plan."* So, when something goes, you will already know, because of the assessment that's been done. In order for the community to have a certain look, this can go in there. So, my only comment about it is, I think

it's worth having that grand design, as it saves us a lot of discussion and back and forth down the road. I agree we can't do it all at once, but it's nice to have that master plan, so when the time comes, you all are in a position to say to us, *"According to the plan that you have, this is what should go in there and something has to go in. Are you ready to authorize that now?"*

Mr. Scheerer: You will have the authority to make whatever changes you want, until the final design, because once the final design is done, any changes made after that, there will be an additional fee for re-design. But in the interim, you can spend the next 6 to 12 months, whatever they come up with, and you can vet that, make your changes, and then you will have an actual set of landscape plans. Then after that, it's just a matter of budgeting. You will need to go with somebody and get a price to make that plan come to fruition.

Mr. Soukup: Right.

Mr. Mehrlich: I think it's important to have an idea of what we want to do, so the Board could have direction.

Mr. Scheerer: You have 30 plus years, on what you have here, and most of it is not bad. You have beautiful Viburnum hedges. You have some aging Indian Hawthorne and some other grasses and some kooky palms. You still have two Sago Palms sitting over here. I'm shocked that they are even alive.

Mr. Jaisingh: Right.

Mr. Scheerer: Sagos have gotten that Asiatic scale on there. They are beautiful.

Mr. Jaisingh: As I drive through the community, there are a lot of plants and shrubs that can be salvaged that we just don't need to remove and replace it all. But it is important. I agree that we need to have a plan going forward, a progressive plan that will keep the community and the aesthetic looks of the company the way it is. I'm not disagreeing with the consulting idea, but looking at the cost, because it's a one-time thing.

Mr. Showe: Yeah. So, once that's set, it's year one.

Mr. Scheerer: It will be Partin Settlement Road, Remington Boulevard, Knightsbridge Boulevard and every entrance.

Mr. Jaisingh: Okay.

Mr. Scheerer: That's a one-time design and then it's yours, whether we're here, somebody else is here, you're gone, maybe there's a different Board member. You already have a plan.

Mr. Soukup: Or a different landscaper. We have a plan for whoever is doing that.

Mr. Brown: Its similar to when Hanson Walter did the 10-year plan or whatever it was, for the roadway.

Mr. Scheerer: Exactly.

Mr. Brown: It was like \$10,000 or something to do that master plan, but then we followed it for 10 or 15 years.

Mr. Scheerer: You are still following it. But, I mean, kind of getting ahead of ourselves. Let's see what the numbers come in at. Let's see what the scope of services comes in at. They have good references. We are familiar with them. Our Vice President is familiar with them. We do have a history with them.

Mr. Jaisingh: Okay.

Mr. Scheerer: So, let's just see what the numbers are. You guys can look at that and you can say, "*Yeah, this is something we want to go to.*" we can do it now, get them going on it or even budget it for 2025. You already have funding allocated set aside, based on your vote last month. So, I mean, it's just a starting point. It's not my opinion or Pete's opinion, Ken's opinion, your opinion. It's somebody that has wholly outside looking at your community and going, "*These are what we recommend.*"

Mr. Jaisingh: Okay.

i. Consideration of Farrington Landscape Proposal

Mr. Soukup: Last but not least, included in your agenda is a revised proposal for the screened area next to Mrs. Patrick's house off of Farrington and Remington Boulevard. It's basically removing two or three hardwood trees and keeping the Palm trees. She wanted a little bit of color. She wanted the Viburnum, which is similar to what we have across the street. Her entrance is across the street. This is not an overly designed area. I believe that it was meant as a landscape buffer, so people driving by the golf course couldn't look into her home. So, the plant material additions include keeping the Palms and Ligustrums, which are the tall hedges and some Viburnum, which are also tall hedges. The red color in the bottom of the design right here, are Azaleas. They're probably like a Fashion Azalea. There are also pink Muhly grasses. These things only bloom once a year and they're gorgeous when they bloom. They don't get very tall. We typically will cut them back along with any other grasses, after the blooming period, because they are pink. So, you can kind of see from the design, the Magnolias and Palm trees are staying. The

hardwoods are coming out. This type of landscape pallet is going in. There is no irrigation there, so we have to run under the sidewalk, from between the sidewalk and curve, as part of that spray zone. You can see that the cost is outlined in the proposal from REW, which is \$14,775, for labor, material, lock, stop, and barrel. It doesn't give her everything she wanted as she wanted it to look like the big 20-foot-tall VO edges, which were never going to get there. It's not going to happen that way, as in order to accomplish that, you would have to probably take everything out, because it has to have room to grow.

Mr. Jaisingh: Exactly. She's going to have to understand that these things are going to need some time to really grow.

Mr. Scheerer: Right. We can explain that, should the Board choose to approve this proposal in your agenda this evening. I think it gives her some color. We want to stay away from annuals. We don't want to get into an additional expense every quarter, to have to replace annuals continuously. I don't really see a place for annuals along that street of the landscape buffer, anyway.

Mr. Jaisingh: Right.

Mr. Scheerer: I think a little bit of color, some more green, get rid of the hardwoods, which seems to be the biggest issue, because she has to clean the leaves out of her gutters and there's some pretty good-sized trees there, which is why the cost of remove the trees is high, because they are 20 to 30 feet tall.

Mr. Brown: So, regardless, these are going to be ours.

Mr. Scheerer: They are.

Mr. Brown: What do you think about it?

Mr. Scheerer: I think it's a good design. I like it. Personally, if it was me and I have no dog in this fight, because it's money. It's \$14,000 to \$15,000. You can go with the design or cut down the trees and put in Oak trees. But I know she's been very adamant. She's been speaking about this for the better part of six months or so..

Ms. Zaresk: Yeah, but I guess my sense is, that's way too much money to be spending on that little spot. I get her concern and that's fine. We're going to hire a landscape design company or we're going to see what they propose and when that landscape design company comes in, will they address this? Could we ask them?

Mr. Scheerer: Yeah.

Ms. Zaresk: In the meantime, my sense is, the issue are the big trees. Get rid of them.

Mr. Soukup: Yes.

Ms. Zaresk: I'm all for getting rid of them.

Mr. Jaisingh: Why are we not removing those trees yet, while we figure out what to put there? Why are we not removing the big trees that are causing the headache for her?

Mr. Scheerer: She didn't authorize it.

Ms. Zaresk: Right?

Mr. Jaisingh: Were the trees there when she bought the house.?

Mr. Scheerer: Yeah. Normally I would just remove the tree if it became problematic, but the tree is a healthy tree. The problem is the leaf drop and the maintenance problem its creating to the resident. We've had root issues when we had the Cypress trees and we took out the Cypress trees. The Board directed staff to remove the Cypress tree and stump grind that entire area next to her home. I believe Jason sent you all an email many months ago, thanking us for doing that. We re-sodded and irrigated it. Then it went from the Cypress tree roots, which I consider invasive, because if you've ever stepped on or ran into some Cypress, you're going to know what a pain really is when you do that. Now it's escalated to the Oak trees. I have to re-roof my house, because I have roof damage. That set off the meeting from a couple of months ago. I didn't want to do anything in this area without the Board approving this, because it's not like we got a dead Palm tree that's hanging over. We cut a Palm tree down.

Mr. Jaisingh: Right. I think we have a design consultant coming in and have a plan to revitalize the entire neighborhood. I really think that we need to remove those trees, prune everything down, make it look as lovely and landscaped as we possibly can, once we remove those. Let her know that we have a plan for the entire community. I know a lot of people are going to be upset.

Mr. Showe: It will be consistent with the rest of the community.

Mr. Jaisingh: Right.

Mr. Scheerer: That's why we are waiting on direction to do that.

Mr. Jaisingh: I know a lot of people are going to be upset. The emails are going to come in. Jason's not going to sleep at night.

Mr. Brown: You're not being the bad guy cause you're cutting the tree down.

Ms. Zaresk: If we need to make some authorization, I'm going to authorize the removal of the trees.

On MOTION by Ms. Zaresk seconded by Mr. Brown with all in favor the proposal with REW for landscaping at 200 Farrington Lane in the amount of \$14,775 was approved.

Mr. Jaisingh: Are we going to prune the rest of the trees?

Mr. Scheerer: The only thing that's under our control, is a handful of Palm trees. We do clean those up.

Mr. Jaisingh: Right.

Mr. Scheerer: We keep the site as clean as it can be, but that area is not done monthly. Even those big Viburnum hedges are not trimmed every week or every month. They kind of as needed, but we have instructed REW to pay close attention to that area, try to keep the dead Palm fronds off. We do have the Porter guy. He does a really good job not only picking up trash, but he will also pull weeds and prune and do things like that. So, when I meet with REW on Friday, if this is the direction that you choose to go in, we'll remove the trees and make sure that area stays as clean as possible. We will make sure that happens and then we'll reach out and Miss Patrick via email and let her know the Board's decision.

Mr. Jaisingh: That way we keep all the debris off of our house. She doesn't have to complain about it. We can't address every individual that comes in and has an issue with landscaping. We're going to address the entire community and that way it's all uniform.

Mr. Showe: We'll let her know that obviously the Board's intent is to come up with a master plan. This will be part of that.

Mr. Scheerer: Yes, it will be included in that.

Mr. Showe: But to expedite, this is what the Board decided to do for now.

Mr. Soukup: Right.

Mr. Brown: Can I make a request?

Mr. Showe: Certainly.

Mr. Brown: So, as we're doing this, can you fashion up some statement that hopefully we don't have to use but may, of why we're addressing her concerns with the tree and not other people's concerns that came in here and wanted us to cut their trees down? Granted, the biggest difference is that they wanted street trees cut down. This really isn't a street tree. So just whatever you can come up with and that way, when they come in...

Ms. Zaresk: That is a good point.

Mr. Mehrlich: Well, these guys back here, are talking about their Pine trees blowing Pine needles into their screen. The Oak trees were part of our community, as far as I'm concerned and the Oak trees were part of the original plan of the community, so why are we cutting them down? I didn't vote yes on that, but I don't agree with that cutting Oak trees down. But to go with the master plan, to create a look through the entire place, if it requires coming them down, then I'm more conducive to doing it then, but just to cut an Oak tree down, I'm outvoted, but I don't get it. Why are we cutting the Pine trees down back here that are blowing pine needles on a screen?

Mr. Scheerer: They are dying. When the Pine needles die, we remove them.

Mr. Mehrlich: Yeah.

Mr. Brown: I think that tree is going to cause problems if we don't take it down. It's awfully close to her house.

Mr. Soukup: We did have the root intrusion from the Cypress trees. I can't speak to any foundational concerns.

Mr. Mehrlich: A Cypress can be dangerous.

NINTH ORDER OF BUSINESS

Supervisor's Requests

Mr. Soukup: That brings us to Supervisor's Requests. Mr. Mehrlich?

Mr. Mehrlich: I think the place looks beautiful. Thank you.

Mr. Scheerer: Thank you. I'll let them know.

Mr. Soukup: Mr. Jaisingh?

Mr. Jaisingh: Nothing.

Mr. Soukup: Mr. Brown?

Mr. Brown: Nothing, other than the place looks great.

Mr. Soukup: Ms. Zaresk?

Ms. Zaresk: All good. Happy Easter, everyone.

TENTH ORDER OF BUSINESS

Next Meeting Date – April 30, 2024

Mr. Soukup: Our next meeting is scheduled for April 30th.

**Mr. Glasscock joined the meeting at this time.*

Mr. Soukup: Pete, did you have anything?

Mr. Glasscock: I have nothing. We got the East Lakeshore Boulevard gate back open and running now. The only thing I had was the paving. I can't get anybody to give us a budget number without plans. So, what we're going to do is, I talked to Mark about it and we're going to take some numbers from other communities and we'll give you a budget. We do have a cost to install, which would be roughly the same cost of repair. So, we should be able to give you something at least by the next meeting.

Mr. Soukup: Anything else?

Mr. Glasscock: Other than that, the yearly inspections will be coming up here in the next month or two. So, if you have any residents calling, there's a big fat guy on a scooter running on the neighborhood.

ELEVENTH ORDER OF BUSINESS

Adjournment

Mr. Soukup adjourned the meeting.



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