

Minutes of Thursday April 25, 2019 Grounds Committee Meeting

Date: Thursday April 25, 2019

Time: 5:30pm

Attending: Jan Nelson, Linda Roberts, Sheryl Hoyt, Sharon Monasterio, Sue Vasconcellos, Tom Smith, Don Rife, Chet Penta, Kevin Blair, Abel Alday, Jim Kossman, Rich Hoyt, LuWanda and Ray from Loma Verde Landscape.

Reason for meeting : Review and discuss the landscaping contract.

Minutes: Reviewed the contract line by line. Questions and comments followed after each line.

Item 1

A: Committee asked to have edging (string trimming) added to the contract. Ray stated He would have it added.

B: Homeowners that would like to maintain the shrubbery along the sides of their homes by themselves

**must submit a written notice to the HOA** which will then give Loma Verda the orders. A Written notice form will be created by the Grounds Committee and made available to homeowners if desired.

D: The landscapers are making an effort to trim the bushes up from the ground to reduce the amount of debris and pests from under the bushes. Unfortunately not all the bushes would look appealing if they were trimmed up.

E: The landscapers were asked that when they blow off the patios of the houses that they avoid blowing the debris toward the house and aim it away. Ray agreed and will pass this on to his employees.

F: The Committee asked Ray to send the information sheet for any herbicide that is used when it is used to the committee chairman.

Several homeowners have issues with "dead spots" on their front lawns. Ray said that this is probably the transition from winter to summer grass. Ray will add sprinklers to these areas.

The transition from winter to summer grass along with weed control was discussed at length. Ray stated that when the temperature outside hits 100 degrees the winter grass will die off and the summer bermuda starts growing.

One of the issues here is that areas that are shaded from the sun and are watered frequently will keep the winter grass growing. So Ray has suggested that the sprinkling is cut back and the lawn be scalped and the scalping be collected in order for the transition to happen during a shorter period of time help eliminate the weeds.

G: Jim gave Ray an irrigation inspection sheet. Ray will review and incorporate this in to 1 sheet for monthly irrigation inspection. Ray stated that due to the size of our irrigation system he has split our area into 4 groups (A,B,C,D) He will inspect one area every week so once a month all areas will be checked. Then there was discussion about how a water system failure would be detected in between the times they were checked so that plants and grass would not die.

The committee will set up a "team" to do in between time checks of the irrigation system.

J: The HOA has decided to use grass seed with only one type of seed the next time we overseed.

There have been many complaints about the different types of grass and colors of the green belt.

Sheryl has volunteered to call Cox cable to get information about their procedures for when they have work to do in the easement area of our HOA. Specifically do they call someone from our HOA and let them know they are going to be working as a courtesy.

How often does Ray trim around sprinklers? was asked.

Olive trees cost \$60. each to trim due to the amount of trimming and clean up that is required. Ray stated that olive tree trimming will start soon. As soon as the trees start to develop fruit.

Ray stated he will green the fruit from trees behind 12623 Prospect tomorrow (Friday April 26, 2019). And the tree furthest to the East will be removed shortly.

Item 2

A: A discussion for guidelines for paying for General supplies for landscaping occurred. This will be brought up at the next Board Meeting.

Sincerely  
Jim Kossman

