

Unapproved Minutes

Unapproved Minutes from the Tarpon Cove Community Association

Landscape Committee Meeting

Held on Wednesday, February 7, 2018 at 1:30pm,

In the Tarpon Cove Community Center, Naples, Florida

Members Present: Perry DeSiato Chairman
Elaine Soucek
Claudia Greenleaf
Butch Fremeau
Linda Shields

Also Present: David Blouir of Towne Properties, and 20 Residents.


Call to Order: The meeting was called to order at 1:30pm by Chairman DeSiato.

Proof of Posting: The meeting was posted in accordance with Florida state statutes.

Chairman's Report: Chairman DeSiato gave his report, beginning with the cleanup process after hurricane Irma.

- After the storm, Tarpon Cove Drive was blocked by large, fallen trees in several places from the main entrance all the way back through Martinique. Clearing of the roads for emergency vehicles was the first priority, and was done within a week of the storm. To accomplish this, Leo Jr brought in a crew of 18 workers, with Julio of Leo Jr on site to help and supervise his crews.
- Next, damaged and dead trees were removed from all other areas of the community, as several were leaning on buildings and blocking driveways.
- With trees and debris out of the way, the local neighborhood boards began assessing building damage, starting on roof, gutter, soffit, and fascia repairs.
- Once all damaged trees were cut and removed, Leo Jr began grinding and removing stumps throughout the community, which was much more difficult than anticipated, as many of these roots and stumps were hard to access, and were wrapped around underground utilities and irrigation pipes.
- As the stump removal crews worked through the community, Leo Jr's irrigation techs started repairs on our irrigation system, as we had many broken main pipes, and hundreds of broken heads.
- Once irrigation was repaired, the master board approved repairs on three highly visible areas: 1. Front entrance. 2. Mainsail cul-de-sac. 3. Area near Martinique pool where the large banyon trees fell.
- During the recovery process, the master board met to estimate the remaining cleanup costs, and figure out how to pay for it. It was decided that a special assessment was the best way to fund the repairs, as many residents would be reimbursed by their insurance carriers with "storm damage loss assessment coverage".
- Once most of the recovery process was under control, the master board hired a landscape architect firm, Knaak, to redesign our devastated front entrance, which was paid for with remaining funds from the assessment. Leo Jr was awarded the contract to plant the architects design, which took about 2 weeks from start to finish.
- The front entrance was the last cleanup task handled by the master board. The landscape committee will handle all further cleanup and repairs, beginning with this meeting.

This year, the landscape budget for Tree and Plant replacements is \$90,000, which is three times last year's budget. Of this \$90k, \$15,000 will be put aside for common areas, and the rest will be allocated for use in the five neighborhoods based on size. \$75k was divided by 365 total units, equaling \$205/unit. Next, \$205 was multiplied by the number of units in each association, equitably distributing the funds. The breakdown is as follows:

 Tarpon Cove Landscape Funds By Neighborhood				
Neighborhood	# of Units		\$ per Unit	Spring Walkthrough Allocation
Barbados TCD	48	x	\$205.00	\$9,840.00
Barbados CBC	92	x	\$205.00	\$18,860.00
Bimini	84	x	\$205.00	\$17,220.00
Martinique	72	x	\$205.00	\$14,760.00
Cayman	69	x	\$205.00	\$14,145.00

Director DeSiato has asked that all Spring Walkthroughs be completed by April 15, so each proposal can be discussed and voted on at the next landscape meeting.

Adjournment: The meeting was adjourned at 2:48pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

David Blouir, LCAM
Property Manager