

Continental Ranch Community Association

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Landscape Committee Meeting – September 11, 2023

Minutes

I. **Call to Order 7:00 P.M. at the Windmill Park Office**

- II. **Roll Call:**
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| <i>Present:</i> | Doug Childress (Chairperson) |
| | Alexis Stern |
| | Bill Cicala |
| | Brandt Smith (Board Liaison) |
| | Ashley Boykin (Mgmt. Representative) |
| | J.J. Velarde (Mgmt. Representative) |
| <i>Excused:</i> | Patrick Chamblee |

III. **Approval of September 11, 2023, Meeting Agenda** approved by motion (Cicala/Stern).

IV. **Approval of August 7, 2023, Meeting Minutes** approved by motion (Cicala/Stern).

V. **Guests:**

- a. **AAA Landscape:** Brian Zanni, Accounts Manager for AAA Landscape, noted he calculated the Silverbell/Coachline entrance monuments turf as using about 1.25 million gallons of water per year; discussed the benefits of not overseeding turf to improve summer Bermuda grass health; suggested only overseeding the sport's field this winter and adding fescue seed to shady turf locations in the spring; suggested thinning out the oak trees behind the Silverbell/Coachline monuments to improve sunlight to the grass; noted one oak tree dead near Sierra Pointe; noted almost all valves have been replaced on Coachline Blvd between Twin Peaks and Silverbell and proposal to replace all valves on Twin Peaks (East of Coachline) is being updated; apologized for sections of the community not being completed on time or as reported and advised he will provide better oversight on tasks assigned to the crew. Mr. Zanni explained to the committee how the "long run" of irrigation was corrected on the southwest corner of Twin Peaks and Coachline.

The committee requested a proposal be prepared by an arborist at AAA Landscape to selectively prune and thin the oak trees behind the Silverbell/Coachline monuments. The committee requested a proposal from AAA Landscape to make all sprinkler heads at the Silverbell/Coachline monuments the same. Mr. Cicala noted his concern in receiving an invoice for removing a saguaro that had fallen over in a storm without prior communication on the cost. Mr. Zanni said he was not aware of that charge, and he would inquire about it with the billing department.

- b. Larry Lemieux requested to join the Landscape Committee. **MOTION (Cicala/Stern)** to recommend to the Board that Mr. Lemieux be appointed to the committee; unanimously approved.

- VI. Board Actions:** Marbella II saguaro replacement was canceled via action in lieu to keep the funds in Operating; and approved via action in lieu the 2023-2024 Landscape budget as amended.
- VII. Management Report:** Ms. Boykin reported that several committee members and management representatives did a drive with Brian August 17th to inspect the community; five oleander trees were removed as approved; the “long run” of irrigation was corrected as approved; homeowner request to replace a tree that fell over during a recent storm on Twin Peaks Road **MOTION (Childress/Stern)** to not approve replacing; a large arm of a saguaro cactus leaning against a residential wall – committee asked for a quote to remove the arm; erosion at the corner of Long Creek and Idle Wild Dr – committee asked for a quote to install rip rap and possibly a French drain; and flowers in beds north of Coachline will be reported to Mr. Zanni as needing attention.
- VIII. Unfinished Business:**
- a. Windmill Park West Entrance Boulders Proposal: MOTION (Cicala/Childress)** to recommend the proposal from AAA Landscape to install (1) 5’x3’x3’ boulder and (2) 3’x3’x3’ boulders at the West parking lot entrance of the Windmill Park Sport’s Field, NTE \$4,145.00; unanimously approved.
 - b. Twin Peaks Road Bridge Granite Replenish Proposal: MOTION (Cicala/Childress)** to postpone and contact the Town of Marana to see if they can help correct the grading/erosion before replenishing gravel; unanimously approved.
 - c. Long Term Upper Tree Pruning Proposal from AAA Landscape:** no action taken.
- IX. New Business:**
- a. Turf Selection for Winter Overseeding: (Cicala/Childress)** to recommend that only the Windmill Park sport’s field be overseeded with ryegrass this winter; unanimously approved.
- X. Next meeting date: October 2, 2023 at 7:00 P.M. at the Windmill Park Office.**
- XI. Meeting adjourned at 8:10 P.M.**