



Belsera's Landscape Committee Meeting Minutes

Time: Sunday, July 15, 2007 at 10:30 AM - 11:30 AM

Attendees: Toni Wanic, Chair, Maxine Quinn, Richard Adolphson, Luann Good, Karen Stiles, Wanda Arsulich, Susan Leverenz, Board Liaison
Absentees: Barb Carlson

Order of Business:

- **Adoption of Meeting Minutes:** The Minutes from the 06.23.07 meeting were reviewed and approved.
- **Old Business.**
 1. Brush Removal: Toni is waiting for a proposal from Benchmark. The necessity of obtaining three bids was discussed. Since this is an emergency situation, Susan will check into the possibility of not having to obtain three bids.

The committee will work on developing a maintenance schedule for the future so we are not caught again in this crisis situation.

2. Cool Communities Project: Richard reported that he and Barbara have identified the areas in lower Belsera that could use trees. He hopes to finish this week. Karen Stiles volunteered to help him identify places in the upper area. As soon as they finish, Richard will bring his proposal to the committee for review and final selection.
- **New or Continued Business.**
 1. Toni asked for a volunteer to take minutes at the meetings. Wanda agreed to do so.
 2. Proposals to the Board: Toni stated that she would give the backup information to Susan for any bid proposals so that she can develop a spreadsheet. Susan will do so if the committee would do the groundwork.
 3. Tree Trimming Bid: Addition to scope of work - no spiking at lower level of palm trees, and request for schedule of work being performed. The committee members are to consider ways to monitor this work.
 4. Luann will be handling complaints in upper Belsera. She will respond to Toni and Karen Otter on her findings.
 5. Toni read a letter of complaint from a homeowner having to deal with her neighbors excessive personal plants crowding walkways and other common areas. This has been a problem for the landscaping workers also. Toni asked Karen Otter to send a letter to the homeowner stating personal plants are not to infringe on the common areas.

Other items having to do with bicycles and toys stored under stairwells and stored in the utility cupboards will be referred to the Architectural committee as soon as it is formed.

6. Susan reported the water bill is much higher than usual. However, since so many plant areas were dying for lack of adequate water, and our water usage previously was far below the normal range (according to water company survey), and considering our current drought condition, this is not surprising.
 7. Toni will check to see if Ben has been paid for the Smart Grant. She will also check on the status of his report on standardizing trimming of shrubs.
 8. Susan mentioned that sprinklers hitting the iron fences need to be turned, if possible, so this does not happen as fences are rusting.
 9. Walkthrough is Monday, July 16, 7:30 AM, meeting at the lower pool. Luann will show the group some areas in the upper level that need attention.
- **Next Meeting.** Next regular meeting of the Landscape Committee is scheduled for August 19th the Sunday prior to the August walk-about on August 20th.
 - **Adjournment.**