

## **Bel Mare Landscape Committee Meeting Minutes**

**October 26, 2022 1:00 – 2:30 PM**

Present: Gigi Stolper, Karren Shupe, Joanne Peters, Brian Miller, David Peterson

### **1) Review of Landscape Project Proposals for Remainder 2022 Approved by Board**

Committee reviewed all proposals for projects to be completed during 4<sup>th</sup> Quarter of 2022 approved at the October 18, 2022 Board Meeting. These included:

- a. Mulching front grounds (black shredded wood mulch)
- b. Replacement of agave plants on Amenity Deck with Christmas Palms
- c. Planting red geraniums in all annual beds in front of gate house & circles
- d. Replacing missing hawthorns along RDW
- e. Replanting Birds of Paradise on Amenity Deck Bldg. 1
- f. Planting jasmine ground cover in front of entrance to Bldg. 1
- g. Thinning selected plant beds to reduce overgrowth

Brian announced that P&L could not obtain desired geraniums from supplier for 2-3 weeks due to recent poor weather conditions. The Committee expressed disappointment but agreed to wait. Committee urged Brian to ensure P&L plants the geraniums as requested ASAP.

Brian indicated that mulch, agave replacement, jasmine and all other proposals above would be completed by P&L over next 2-3 weeks.

Brian will get revised proposal from Brown's to remove all seed pods and dead fronds on all palms on Amenity Decks. This must be completed before end of calendar year.

### **2) Walk-around Grounds**

The Committee walked around front grounds and Amenity Decks of both buildings pointing out areas damaged by Hurricane Ian and needing removal, as well as routine maintenance issues to be addressed by P&L. Brian indicated he would follow up regarding these items.

- a. In general, shrubs are not being trimmed down as much as they should be and are too tall and "overgrown." Also, they are being trimmed inconsistently using both round cut and square cut. Committee wants all shrubs to be trimmed consistently with "round cut." Brian will review with P&L and request that wherever possible shrubs be trimmed with "round cuts" and where shrubs are too tall or overgrown – they be gradually trimmed down a few inches at a time.
- b. Oleander on Amenity Deck behind Bldg. 2 was severely damaged by hurricane and need to be removed ASAP. Brian will follow-up.
- c. Coontie shrubs on Amenity Decks are being incorrectly trimmed. These shrubs should not be pruned at top. They need to be weeded at bottom and periodically thinned out to prevent overgrown. Brian will review matter with P&L to correct going forward.

- d. Fronds of Palms in the 4 planters on corners of both buildings on the Amenity Decks are overgrown. ALL FRONDS THAT HANG BELOW THE "9 O'CLOCK & 3 O'CLOCK" position should be trimmed. They are unsightly and lengthy fronds are hanging over corner unit lanai's (203, 201) in both buildings. The Committee raised concerns that this situation COULD ATTRACT RODENTS. Brian indicated that he would trim

Minutes respectfully submitted on 11/7/2022 by Gigi