

[Landscape] SEPTEMBER 2024 TEAM MEETING MINUTES

REV 9/17/24 Present: Patrice Cason, Kathy Scott, Mike Thompson, Dave Thomas, and Lacy Gray

- Per Committee guidelines an election was run for Landscaping Committee chair, Jim Hale, Board Secretary ran the election nominations and voting by those present reelected Lacy Gray as Chair.
- Pam Hauck has tendered her resignation from our Committee and is canvassing members of her Master Gardening group for replacements, all present were requested to bring forth potential candidates. We hope to fill Pam's vacancy soon. Members were canvassed as to interest in becoming Committee chair, and also asked for candidates outside our group.
- All approved the "2024 Landscape Programs/Tasks report", and this report has been sent to the HOA Board for use in the Annual Meeting 9/19.
- Mulch Bed Program was reviewed by Kathy Scott. We have two more beds to remulch before year-end HG#2 & EF#6. Dave has sufficient mulch for these but may run into problems for buying more mulch at the previously low price in 2025. He is working on new resources so we can continue this program. Beds: EF# 12, HG#4, HG# 10, and HG# 11 are on the list for 2025. The committee is evaluating if we continue to do HG#11 partially or convert the entire strip to mulch and eliminate mowing.
 - It was suggested that a meeting between the property owner, ACS West and Kathy Stone be held to define the homeowners responsibility vs the HOA in maintaining the bed at the Kermack entrance off Woodpecker.
- No beds are being considered for elimination or adding shrubs at present.
- The neighborhood entrance upgrade program was reviewed by Patrice Cason. The remaining entrances (6) will be completed this Fall at ~\$4,000.
- The Committee has reviewed the Common Areas report and two upgrades added and approved. The revised document has been sent to the HOA Board for approval and inclusion in the web page for use by the residents.
- Dave Thomas is working with VDOT on ways to eliminate "bare spots" among the Common Areas, starting with their immediate repair of areas within their ROW. A solution for Bare spots is difficult in areas where there is no irrigation and this causes us to rely on Lespedeza, crab grass and fescue grasses to provide the ground cover with rain providing the only source of water. All of the presently irrigated Common areas are adequately covered with no/few bare areas.
- Dave is also meeting with the Golf Course superintendent Matt Carlton to exchange ideas on operating and maintaining the irrigation systems using the lake water pumping systems we have in place.

Our ride around audit results from 9/12 were reviewed and being addressed by Estatecare.