

**MINUTES OF LANDSCAPE/AQUASCAPE/FACILITIES COMMITTEE MEETING
CORY LAKES COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT**

The Landscape/Aquascape/Facilities Committee meeting was held on Friday, November 6, 2015 at 10:30 a.m. at the Beach Club, 10441 Cory Lake Drive, Tampa, Florida.

Present were: Rich Carpenter (Chair), Dennis DiGiacomo. AJ Forbes (by Skype), and Stephanie Squires joined the meeting later.

First Order of Business: Call to Order: Attendance

1. The meeting was convened at 10:37 a.m.

Second Order of Business: Landscape

2. The committee discussed the proposals from LMP for the replanting of the front and the back of the Morris Bridge gate house. After looking at the drawings of the proposed landscaping, the committee voted to recommend that the Board approve both proposal 29165 and 29170 in order to improve the landscaping at the gate house.
3. The committee discussed the proposal from LMP for replanting the Cross Creek interior island, the one at the intersection of Cory Lake Boulevard and Cory Lake Drive. By redoing the island with perennials, there would no longer be a need for planting annuals at this site, saving money and allowing for annuals to be changed out 4 times a year throughout the rest of the community. The committee voted to recommend that the Board approve proposal 29167.
4. The committee discussed the proposal from LMP for tree work at the back of the Beach Club playground. Right now, tree branches overhang the playground area. Leaves are falling on the sail shades and on the playground artificial turf. Trimming the trees would alleviate the staining and mildew of the sail shades and the accumulation and removal of leaves from both the sail shades and the playground grass. In addition, plantings behind the playground could then be accomplished with the removal of the branches giving sunlight to that area for the growth of plants. The committee voted to recommend that the Board approve proposal 29171 for the tree work.
5. The committee discussed the proposals for the improvement in landscape around the playground. The proposals were for Muhly grasses with mulch and a palm tree to be planted along the walkway to the playground along with the removal of the turf that has been planted on the beach sand and doesn't grow well. The beach would be enlarged and the plantings would control erosion. Behind the playground, turf would be installed. The areas between the pool and playground would be planted with shrubs and plants matching those at the pool. The area behind the playground along the tree line would be planted with plant varieties that grow well in the shade and that would hopefully keep children from playing in this area nearest the wood line. The committee voted to recommend that the Board approve proposals 29168 and 29169 for the plantings at the playground.
6. The committee discussed planting Muhly grasses along the fence line on Cory Lake Drive that borders the cow pasture on the other side of the fence. The committee decided to ask Steve Small, account manager for LMP, for suggestions as to what might be best to plant and grow there, as plantings there in the past have not done well.
7. The committee discussed installing new turf in the area between the sidewalk and the roadway at the front of the pool house. Right now, this area is mostly weeds and requires both irrigation work and new St. Augustine grass to match that on the lawn of the pool house. When mowed now, all that's happening is the weeds are being spread onto the good grass. The committee voted to

recommend that since sod was being ordered for placement at the playground in the back of the pool, the Board should approve proposal 24887 for replacing the sod at the front of the pool house and do it all at the same time.

Third Order of Business: Facilities

8. The committee discussed replacing the sign post for the stop sign at the exit to Morris Bridge. The committee decided that at this time money and efforts should be spent elsewhere.
9. Rich showed photographs of the brick roadways wherein the bricks were separating and loose. At some spots there are gaps of an inch or more between the bricks. In addition, they sometimes “pop” out of place and create a hazard. In the past, many efforts have been made to stop the movement of the bricks to no avail. The roadway from the Cross Creek gate house to the intersection with Cory Lake Drive and from that intersection to about the 10700 address on Cory Lake Drive is the worst area within the community. The committee discussed that doing nothing will only increase the severity. Getting started at fixing the problem and not just doing spot repairs which last for only a short time would seem prudent. The committee voted to recommend to the Board that an engineer or other person with expertise be hired to look at and determine the cause of the deterioration and the cost of repair. It is recommended that the person hired not be one who would profit from making the repair.
10. The committee discussed the apparent increase of trash both along the roadways and within the storm drains. Several residents have commented about it to committee members. Any trash that goes down a storm drain ends up in the lake, and there are instances of dog poop bags, bottles and other trash being set in the storm drains. Speculation was that in the past maybe Frank picked up the trash. Rich thought that it was a part of the LMP contract to pick up the trash. The committee voted to recommend that the Board contact LMP and review with them and remind them of the obligation to pick up the trash and keep the community trash free.
11. Rich showed photos of the trash at the pocket park containing swings. There were at least 7 or 8 pieces of trash either within or around the pocket park. With the doggie poop station so close to the playground, it appears that people are putting other trash in that container rather than walking a little further and putting it in the large trash can near the picnic table. With the doggie station so close, it not only smells, but the debris that falls out when it gets full then blows around and gets cut up into smaller pieces when the area is mowed. If the doggie station were moved a bit further down the sidewalk to near the parking area, it would alleviate the smell and the debris accumulation around it. Emptying the station more frequently may also help. With the station moved farther away, it would be more convenient to throw trash into the then nearer trash barrel. The committee voted to recommend to the Board that the doggie station be moved further down the sidewalk near the parking area, and that the schedule of picking up the trash from the station be reviewed with LMP.
12. There was no update for the tennis court installation. However, the committee discussed the fact that since the Board is short of money for any new capital improvements for this year, and since work has not yet started on the tennis courts, couldn't the \$155,000 or so be returned to the budget and used instead for projects that more people use – such as renovation of the gym and purchase of new and updated gym equipment? Rich was to check as to whether contracts for the tennis courts have been issued. (He subsequently did, and the contracts are already signed.)
13. Rich showed a photo of a large spike that is supposed to be driven through the black plastic berm which holds the mulch inside the pocket park. This spike is located right near the sidewalk at the large slide pocket park. It is a danger because it sticks up a couple of inches above the berm, and

could grab clothing or a shoe and cause a trip or fall. The committee voted to recommend that the Board have the berm appropriately repaired.

Fourth Order of Business: Other items

14. AJ's request to research the possibility of making Cory Lakes a "Walk Friendly Community" was discussed. The committee decided that it needed further information. For instance, if we were applying and competing for some kind of grant that would bring more funds to use for sidewalks or other amenities, the committee was interested in looking at it further. If we were just applying for a designation, then committee members weren't so interested, especially if we had to construct or provide more infrastructures to make the list. It was decided that should the Security Committee want to look into it further, it would be up to that committee to move forward.
15. The committee discussed the purchase of a new DR Power Grader to be used on the beach. It loosens the sand and grades it smooth, much like what the beach communities use to "fluff" their beaches along the shore. But this is on a much smaller scale and can be pulled by the Gator or other small vehicle. Right now, the beach is almost like hard pan because it is so compacted. This machine not only loosens the sand, but it grades the sand so that any holes would be filled. It's as though the beach gets raked smooth such as in a sand trap at a golf course. The committee voted to recommend that the Board purchase for \$1,659.98 a new five-foot DR Power Grader with drag screen.

Fifth Order of Business: Adjournment

11:28 a.m.

ACCEPTED BY THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS AT THEIR MEETING HELD ON 19 DAY OF NOVEMBER, 2015.


Dr. Cyril Spiro, Chairman
Cory Lakes Community Development District

ATTEST:


Chuck Adams, Secretary