

Landscape Committee Minutes

January 14, 2014

Meeting Commenced at 1:05 PM

Present: Roz Warner

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Ron Kurtis

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Residents: Jane Donoghue

Rick Donoghue

Mike Forrest

Minutes of December meeting read and approved.

Discussion held on bid received for Phase 3 and 4. (\$65193 and \$30033) advised this was over the budgeted amount and that my discussion with our Landscape Architect, Simply Verde, suggested we do Phase 3. After its completion and determination of monies left after lighting and any other unforeseen problems, we can determine which trees on Waterlefe Blvd need replacement the most.

Mrs. Donoghue wondered why we did not landscape the north part of UMRR. It was explained that we are not certain at this time the effect the Ft. Hamer Bridge may have in this area and since the majority of people coming into Waterlefe do not see this area, the Landscape Committee had determined to complete this area last.

We only received one bid for Phases 3 and 4. When asked, Simply Verde explained she had not worked directly with Artistree but that the county had thought very highly of him. The Landscape Committee contacted Artistree and made an appointment for Friday to meet with the owner to see several places he has done. He also advised we could go to Pine Island and handpick our Royal Palms.

I advised I have not heard from Austin as to a bid for more flax to soften the landscaping along UMRR as well as the list of suggested spring flowers.

We felt the Simpson Stoppers on UMRR should be maintained at app.6'.

Further discussion held on the Ganoderma butt rot and that the best tree to be planted at Discovery/Waterlefe Blvds., according to our landscape specialist, would be a Cathedral oak.

Mrs. Donoghue mentioned her safety concern of Waterlefe/Discovery intersection because of the night darkness and dark curbs. Reflector paint will be investigated as well as soar lights.

Meeting adjourned at 2:20.

Roz Warner