

**1600 Hamilton Place Community Association  
Landscape Committee Meeting  
August 19, 2015**

**Committee Members**

Sheba Solomon	Co-Chair
Maryalice Heim	Co-Chair

**Others Present**

Tim Fitzgerald	Medallion Landscaping
Brian Finerty	Board Member
Beth Keifer	Homeowner

Open Forum – Beth Keifer volunteered to assist Landscape Committee with special projects.

The open forum is an opportunity for residents to submit landscaping concerns/requests to the committee. If residents cannot attend the open forum, they can submit requests in writing to Bill Hubbard at [bhubbard@communitymanagement.com](mailto:bhubbard@communitymanagement.com).

**I. Call to Order**

Co-Chair Maryalice Heim convened the meeting to review ongoing and needed work at 7:30 p.m.

**II. Ongoing Work**

**Review of Maintenance Concerns and Recent New Work**

- Medallion will continue ongoing summer maintenance to include: detail landscaping, focusing on tipping back plants from the sidewalks, deadheading as needed and weed control. They will also focus on tipping back new nandina growth above the fence lines.
- Medallion is fertilizing all camellias monthly and will assess all camellias for plant health quarterly.

**III. Irrigation**

- Medallion continues to monitor manual and automatic controls for the irrigation clocks due to changing weather patterns and the drought. Currently, due to water restrictions, the clocks are being manually set to water the complex two times a week as per State guidelines.
- Homeowners will see some stressed plants and lawns due to the drought and dry weather conditions. Medallion is adjusting irrigation as much as possible and will continue to fertilize plants under duress.
- The satellite clocks are being monitored for performance. There are two clocks that have failed (one on Ashmeade (“B”) and one by the Club House (“N”), but they do function if they are set manually. Due to water restrictions, Medallion has to set them manually anyway, but will submit a bid for replacement of these clocks in the fall or when it is appropriate to return to the automatic satellite function of the clocks.
- Medallion discussed with Committee the new high efficient water nozzles and will submit a bid for an average size lawn area to see if this is a viable option for reducing overspray and further conserving water.

**IV. Review of Bids**

- The three Board-approved bids to replace dead plants and a tree on Ashmeade and additional complex mulching were completed in early July.
- Four recently Board-approved bids for additional plants at the Foxhall Entrance, replacement tree and new landscaping on Huxley where the Rain tree was removed and replacement of dead plants in another area on Huxley are on hold due to the drought. The go-ahead to plant will be reconsidered in October and will depend on the weather conditions at that time.

**V. Long-Term Planning**

- Committee is working with Medallion for future long range water conservation methods and drought-tolerant landscaping.

**VI. Trees**

- Lewis Tree Service has removed Golden Rain Tree on Huxley.
- Lewis Tree Service has completed their annual tree assessment and will submit a bid for tree trimming and removal of 3 dead Plum trees for Board approval with work scheduled to be completed in October.

**VII. Adjournment**

The meeting was adjourned at 9:00 p.m. The next Landscape Committee meeting will be on **Wed., September 16, 2015**.