

Landscape Committee has experienced changes in its membership. **We request the Board to approve the following:**

Accept resignations from Barbara Bowns and Gary Jolliff

Register new member Carole Gutbrod

Register new Chair Lyn Martin

The Committee now consists of Chair Lyn Martin; Members Doreene Carpenter, Carole Gutbrod, Richard Miller, Logan Norris, Larry Plum and Keith Rasmussen.

The committee has reviewed thoroughly, and made necessary revisions to, the content and language of our Landscape Specifications, and has chosen to continue working with Provider NLS. To that end, the Committee met with Will Ward from NLS. We read through the entire document, facilitated by Kurt Powell, so that all parties have a full understanding of the scope and requirements of job performance.

Will has agreed to continue providing service to Stoneybrook Village. His quote, a 2% increase from last year, is \$93, 835.04. The monthly bill will be \$7819.67. Here are comparisons:

2017	93,835.04
2016	91,996.08
2015	84,804.00

The Committee elected not to put this contract out to bid for a number of reasons. There are few companies which are able to serve such a large and complex campus as ours. It's very difficult to start over. We have developed a working relationship with NLS. Communications are improving – Will Ward is knowledgeable and responds when called upon.

We have built into this contract clear expectations with processes for accountability. One aspect we continue to find challenging is on-site supervision.

A beneficial result of having a well-written Contract is that, for Owners who opt-out of landscape services, their standards for care are clear and enforceable as well.

We agree that this offer from NLS is fair and we recommend that the Board accept it.

In other business Landscape Committee has appointed Larry Plum to track expenditures pertaining to the Native Species Demonstration Project. Gaia Landscape Services has been selected to provide initial installation of soil and dry stream bed. Work presently is at a standstill.

Landscape Committee continues to collaborate with Tree Committee. Recommendations were reviewed and modified, and given to Logan Norris.

After ascertaining that it would not complicate landscape services a committee member purchased and planted bulbs to create color spots. These should appear around the Club House next Spring.

Committee members will work out revised "Zone" assignments with its new members to assure that all the community is observed routinely for emerging landscape issues.

Respectfully submitted,

Doreene Carpenter