

POND REPORT FEBRUARY 2018

1. Walk around with Tony Livermore, Supervisor, GAIA Landscapes, Inc.

Tuesday, February 6, 2018, Tony and I walked our ponds and surrounding landscaping for which they are responsible under contract. We reviewed all aspects of the contract and observed the following:

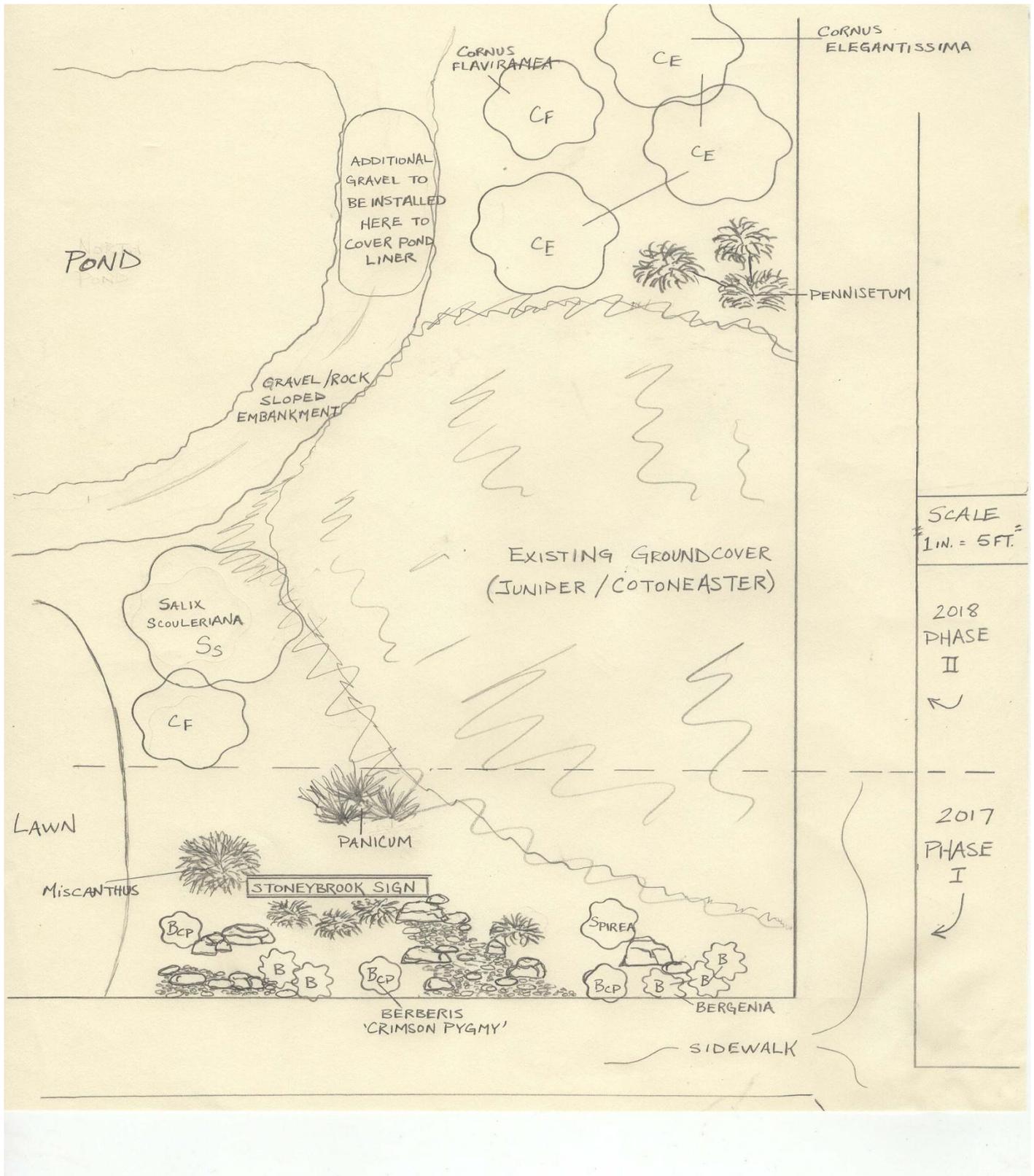
- SVOA Ponds. With the warmer weather, the algae are blooming earlier than in past years. GAIA is removing the weed growth that has accumulated around the center of the ponds.
- SVOA Landscaping around ponds. Performed bi-weekly.
 1. Lawn Service – edging and weeding
 2. Shrubs & Beds Service – weeds are under control; shrubs pruned.
- Irrigation.

Prior to completing the north pond improvement project in 2018, GAIA will need to know when NLS will turn on the backflow. Kurt has provided the location of the controller and zone to test the irrigation to ensure sufficient irrigation is available.

II. The Board approved at its September 2017 meeting GAIA's Proposal #411 for \$1,053.50 to remove the diseased and dying (7) *Taxus x media Densiformis* (Yews) on the north pond island that surround the Evergreen Magnolia, install replacement soil, and plant species similar to those currently installed around beds of the pond, such as *Juncus*, *Cornus*, *Carex*, *Gunnera*, *Wapato*, *Lobelia*. The Board determined that this project would be funded through the account established for SVOA-wide landscaping. GAIA has begun the project with the removal of the dying Yews.



III. In the spring, GAIA will complete the North Pond improvement project. Below is GAIA's depiction of the project. You will note the "early" daffodils are beginning to show. Others will follow mid spring and others later in the spring.



Additional improvements will be planned for the pump house berm and south along the south pond.

- IV. Just a reminder, GAIA will be dredging the south pond late March, early April. WCM will be providing residents with timely notice.