

**MINUTES OF MEETING
LAKE ASHTON I
COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT**

The regular meeting of the Board of Supervisors of the Lake Ashton Community Development District was held on Monday, **October 17, 2022** at 9:30 a.m. at the Lake Ashton Clubhouse Ballroom, 4141 Ashton Club Drive, Lake Wales, FL.

Present and constituting a quorum were:

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| Robert "Bob" Plummer | Chairman |
| Mike Costello | Vice Chairman |
| Steve Realmuto | Assistant Secretary |
| Lloyd Howison | Assistant Secretary |
| Debby Landgrebe | Assistant Secretary |

Also present were:

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| Jill Burns | District Manager, GMS |
| Jan Carpenter | District Counsel |
| Christine Wells | Community Director |
| Alan Rayl <i>joined late</i> | District Engineer |
| Dana Bryant | Yellowstone |
| Matt Fisher | Operations Manager |

The following is a summary of the discussions and actions taken at the October 17, 2022 Lake Ashton Community Development District meeting.

FIRST ORDER OF BUSINESS

Roll Call and Pledge of Allegiance

Ms. Burns called the meeting to order at 9:30 a.m., called roll, and the pledge of allegiance was recited. Five Supervisors were present constituting a quorum.

SECOND ORDER OF BUSINESS

Approval of Meeting Agenda

Mr. Plummer: The next item on the agenda is approval of the meeting agenda. Are there any additions or corrections? If not, I'll entertain a motion.

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| On MOTION by Ms. Landgrebe, seconded by Mr. Realmuto, with all in favor, the Meeting Agenda, was approved. |
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THIRD ORDER OF BUSINESS

**Public Comments on Specific Items
on the Agenda (the District Manager
will read any questions or comments
received from members of the public
in advance of the meeting)**

Mr. Plummer: The next item is public comments.

Ms. Burns: I do not have any forms.

Mr. Plummer: I have one, Brenda VanSickle.

Brenda VanSickle (Resident): My concern is, I know you've got a tight budget, you're trying to cut costs. I'm urging you not to cut it so much that you're ignoring things. The Boulevard is a statement coming into this community. Make sure that when you do whatever it is you're going to decide to do, whether you were going with the original plan or the half-price plan, make sure it's going to be aesthetically pleasing. That is the first thing people see coming into this community, so I'm going to ask you to do it right. Secondly, the rocks on the sides, somebody is going to get hurt. That plastic, which Christine told me it wasn't plastic, but whatever it is that you can see the brown cover that's been out there for months and it looks absolutely horrible. Not only does it look bad, I'm worried about somebody getting hurt. I worry about rocks getting slung by lawn mowers on patches where there's grass. I'm concerned about our landscaping. These plants out here, the topiaries that are always cut so nicely, they've just been let go and that takes oversight. I think part of that reason is we've got a wonderful operations manager that is trying to do everything. I'm glad to see that there's been another employee recently hired because he can only do so much. Now, if we could clone him, his work ethic is fantastic. He can't do it all but I think some of these contractors, if you don't watch them stuff like this happens. The pool, the black algae, someone really needs to stay on top of that. The pool contract, I believe says vacuum as needed. I don't know what they consider as needed. There has been a pile of sand in the spa for weeks and that was after the hurricane, you might expect it for a while. By this time, I would expect it to be cleaned up. A lot of times, you get what you pay for and I would urge you to consider those items. Thank you very much.

Mr. Plummer: Thank you, Brenda. That's the only one I have. Is there any online?

Ms. Burns: If anybody on the Zoom line has a public comment, you can use Zoom's raise hand feature to be called on now. I see none.

FOURTH ORDER OF BUSINESS

**Consideration of Minutes from the
September 19, 2022 Board of
Supervisors Meeting**

Mr. Plummer: The next item is consideration of the minutes from the September 19, 2022 Board of Supervisors meeting. Those were submitted to you electronically and in your packet. Are there any additions or corrections? Hearing none, I would entertain a motion to accept the minutes

On MOTION by Mr. Howison, seconded by Mr. Realmuto, with all in favor, the Minutes of the September 19, 2022 Board of Supervisors Meeting, were approved.

FIFTH ORDER OF BUSINESS

Restaurant

A. Discussion Regarding Restaurant RFP Review Process *(Requested by Supervisor Howison)*

Mr. Plummer: Next item on the agenda is restaurant discussion regarding the RFP review process. Supervisor Howison?

Mr. Howison: We put this on at the last meeting, just to make certain that we would be aligned as a Board as to how to move forward with the review of the proposals. I think Christine will be updating us as to where things stand, but the RFP went out as scheduled. We've had some interest expressed. We should see responses back on the 10th of November. I think the plan at this point is that Christine would turn those around within the next day and put those into all of our hands for review. We've also asked the focus group to take a look at them and not rank them or make any recommendation regarding which one to choose but to provide comments as to things we should consider when we rank order. So my question to the Board would be, how do we want to proceed from there? If we would like to try and interview the perspective restaurant leases at the November 21st meeting, it means that we would have to move pretty quickly to rank order them. Now, if we only receive three or four proposals, we may want to meet with all of them. But if we were to receive many more than that, I would think that we would want to

narrow it down to a top three or top four. In speaking with Jill, she said that is okay to do that. I'll just open it up to see how you guys would like to proceed.

Mr. Plummer: First thing, you said the 21st meeting, it's actually the 28th, so you have a week longer than you think.

Mr. Howison: Oh, that's even better. That does give us a little bit of time. My thought was that if once we sent those out, each of us could look them over, rank order, those proposals, get our input to Christine, and based on that, we could narrow it down to a top three or top five. Because the presentations are going to take some time and it's going to be in an open meeting, and that would make that meeting on the 28th pretty long if we had more than two or three to listen to. But it's at the pleasure of the Board.

Mr. Realmuto: I think it's hard to say before we see both the number and quality of the proposals that we get in terms of us doing things like ranking them and feeding it back to Christine. That almost sounds a lot like we're stepping on the borders of sunshine law so we welcome advice from our attorney over at management about that.

Ms. Burns: I think the idea would be that the whittling down to who was going to be invited would be delegated to a single supervisor and staff. The Board couldn't make that decision and only invite them outside of the meeting. But if you wanted to delegate the authority to Lloyd working with the restaurant group and Christine. Let's say we get 10 proposals and they invite five. We can do that.

Mr. Plummer: I understand that the reason behind the theory of doing that is just to try to reduce the numbers to what are the good candidates and not sift through proposals of candidates that we most likely would not accept. Is that correct?

Mr. Howison: That's correct and to move the process along. If we wanted to interview the respective restaurant tourists on the 28th, we need to move quickly. If we wanted to wait until the December meeting, then we can take a little more time and probably the process can move differently.

Ms. Landgrebe: Or we could also add a meeting or workshop in regards to the restaurant. Isn't that correct? I just hesitate to not have all supervisor's feedback because someone may see something interesting, intriguing of value to pursue that one supervisor may not see.

Mr. Plummer: If you do a workshop, you can't vote on or make a decision at that. You can only work with information.

Mr. Realmuto: I understand the desire to move things along but I agree with you, Debby. I know in past times this has been done. I haven't been on the Board but I've watched the process from the audience very closely, and quite frankly, my opinion was changed after seeing the presentations. You get a sense when you see someone present in person, what the dynamics might be like for running it. So I wouldn't mind if proposals didn't meet what was requested. It has to be some objective measure. But if they were proposing something that wasn't aligned with what we asked for, then I could see perhaps eliminating those. But anyone who might have a viable proposal I would like to see come before us. We felt before about doing it right rather than doing it fast. So quite frankly, I'd like to go the other direction in terms of selection. I think that anyone who has a viable proposal that met what we asked for in the RFP, should be allowed to present at our November meeting. Frankly, I don't know that I wanted to see us necessarily make a selection. If we're so blessed as to get, say three viable candidates or have the Board narrow it down to three viable candidates that we think might be equally worthy, I would like to get the community's opinion. They're going to be the customers of the restaurant and the ones patronizing it. My opinion, again, is as long as it's viable and we've done our due diligence, I think it comes down to which a choice of taste, what type of restaurant they want or if you know those details let's put it to the community. They're the ones that are going to make it succeed or fail. That's my line of thinking.

Mr. Howison: That's exactly why I wanted to discuss this today. So I think that gives us an answer is that we will interview all viable candidates.

Ms. Landgrebe: I have another question or thought. I agree, we need to do things differently. That's been very loud and clear. Doing things differently, is it possible to even have, once we've interviewed the masses and break it down maybe to the top numbers, could we have them come and actually set up a pop-up dinner or pop-up restaurant as part of the process? I know it's out of the box thinking.

Ms. Carpenter: It would be a bit difficult. Just because we'd have to have contracts with them. They'd have to figure out how to get food and beverage here and we'd have to reimburse them for that cost.

Ms. Landgrebe: No, I'm not saying that. I'm saying just as we have had Carrabba's come in and do a pop-up dinner, X amount of dollars.

Ms. Burns: You'd sell tickets \$15 a person like we do for an event and they would just be the caterer for that event.

Ms. Landgrebe: Exactly. Sure. It's just a thought to do something different. Something to keep on the back of our minds maybe.

Mr. Plummer: What I'm hearing here is the Board wants to see all of them. The only criteria are that they meet the RFP requirements, if they don't meet those requirements, then obviously you would not bring them in for an interview.

Ms. Burns: We want to I think give everybody the same direction or opportunity. Let's say we get four people. Do you want us to give them a length of time that they have as a guideline for presentation? Obviously, we're going to invite everybody here, but we want to give them some parameters. They're going to ask what the Board is looking for. Ten minutes is that enough time? Let's make sure we're giving them the same direction.

Mr. Plummer: I think 10 minutes is a good time as long as you don't have 20 of them.

Ms. Landgrebe: Or we call a special meeting.

Mr. Realmuto: We should be so lucky to have 20.

Ms. Burns: I think in the past we've usually had 3-5. I don't think we've ever had 10 responses to the RFP for the restaurant when we've done it. I would be surprised if we're in that range.

Mr. Costello: How many do we have at this time? How many people have expressed any interest?

Ms. Wells: It's hard to tell now. I have sent the RFP to over 40 people and I've done three tours so far.

Mr. Plummer: From that number, you know you have three that have some interests that you don't know about the other 37?

Ms. Wells: Exactly. Some of those 40 do include industry partners that are passing it along to others as well.

Mr. Plummer: You're not going to know the numbers until we reach the deadline anyway.

Ms. Wells: Historically, we have not received proposals prior to the deadline. Oh, I should say not more than a day prior to the deadline. They always wait until the deadline or just before the deadline to submit it.

Mr. Costello: I realize that, but I was thinking more along the lines of how many people have been here to see it? How many people have responded to you in some way? Do we have three?

Ms. Wells: Three official tours, but there's others that keep asking for the proposal.

Ms. Burns: Is the Board comfortable with Lloyd and Christine's staff making the decision based on the number we get, giving them the same amount of allotted time, and setting up the parameters for the presentations?

Mr. Howison: I would think they would need no more than 15 minutes and then allowing time for us to ask questions.

Mr. Realmuto: I'm okay with that. A general guideline of 10 minutes, if you only have three, you could give them 15. I don't think we should go much less than 10 minutes.

Ms. Wells: Historically too, we have had supervisors give the questions they want to ask, and we compile a whole list and all proposers are asked the same questions. It's a combination of questions from each of you. Now, understanding that some questions may be different for different proposers. Is that something that you guys want to do as well? I see, no and a yes.

Ms. Landgrebe: I think we should have a set number of prescribed questions. Then, of course, once we see the proposals, we may have random additional questions.

Mr. Realmuto: I'm okay with coming up with a set of questions that they all maybe should answer, although presumably those are already in the RFP.

Ms. Wells: Exactly.

Mr. Realmuto: No. I don't like the idea of being forced to ask each of the proposers the same question. We might want to delve into different areas with each of them based on their response to the RFP.

Mr. Plummer: I agree. I think a reaction to their presentation is a better policy to get a handle on what they're going to do as opposed to have canned questions that are the same across the Board, because depending on the type of restaurant they're going

to propose something a little differently that those canned questions may not all coincide if you will. We have our direction.

Ms. Carpenter: One quick question, do you want to have a ranking sheet that you're all looking at for experience qualifications? In the past, you haven't done it, but to help make the decision-making a little bit more even.

Mr. Howison: It sounds like each of us look at this little differently. I always do a ranking sheet based on the response elements that are required. But I think you'd like to be a little more subjective in yours.

Ms. Landgrebe: I think ranking sheets are important, and I would suspect that when the RFPs come in, staff is going to look at them and do a checklist. Yes. We ask this yes, that's here. Yes, that's here.

Ms. Carpenter: That's accepting the RFP and meeting qualifications. But sometimes when you choose folks who are bidding, you have a ranking sheet that you all look at for experience, qualifications, ability to do catering, whatever the important things are to all of you.

Mr. Howison: And for their presentations as well.

Mr. Realmuto: I guess I'd be looking for essentially a ranking sheet from staff on again, how well they met the RFP requirements and objectives. I think it might help to have a common analysis of that. I'm not a big fan of ranking because each of us is ranking on our own subjective criteria. I think we should go through the process internally. I don't think it should be, as it's formalized for the engineering firm, that we have to choose the highest ranked one or that we have to discuss the ranking. I don't know that's particularly useful in the case of choosing a restaurant.

Mr. Plummer: Do you have your direction, Lloyd?

Mr. Howison: It sounds to me as though the direction is simply that they'll come in, staff will review, we'll invite those that have met the basic RFP response elements to come in and present. Based on the number that are qualified to come in and present, we'll establish the amount of time each has to present, which will be at least 10 minutes.

Mr. Costello: Are we going to do this at a regular meeting? Because I'm telling you right now, if we get too many people, we're going to be here probably until dinner time.

Mr. Plummer: I think you need to make that decision when you see what the numbers are.

Ms. Landgrebe: I don't think we appointed Lloyd.

Mr. Plummer: We didn't.

Ms. Landgrebe: I feel like you're saying he's doing that, but I don't think we've discussed that.

Mr. Howison: No. We just chose not to do that.

Ms. Landgrebe: That's what I thought.

Mr. Plummer: I stand corrected.

Mr. Howison: The staff will get the proposals, they'll review them and based on the number of qualified respondents, they'll schedule them in to present to us. Based on your comment, Mike, then you'd prefer to do it at a separate meeting?

Mr. Costello: Yeah, if we were to do it at a workshop, number 1, everybody seems to be wanting to push the time up, which is only natural, I agree with that. The thing there is the fact that, let's say we have five people we're going to give time to, that's over an hour. That is added onto one of our meetings and our meetings have been going quite long to begin with.

Mr. Howison: We have the uncanny ability to stretch that to two hours.

Mr. Costello: Pardon me?

Mr. Realmuto: We have the uncanny ability to stretch that to two hours.

Mr. Costello: I agree with you. What are you going to do? I'm not going to argue with you there. That makes it even worse than a regular meeting. You are fighting for my cause.

Mr. Howison: Then I think the plan is that we would schedule a special meeting to review.

Mr. Costello: I agree with that. I'll make a motion that we schedule a workshop.

Ms. Landgrebe: A workshop or a meeting?

Mr. Costello: Well, if you want a meeting, what we're going to have to do is instead of adjourning this meeting, we're going to have to postpone this meeting until a certain date. We can do that.

Ms. Landgrebe: Couldn't we swap the November 28th?

Mr. Costello: Because then we have to put it in the paper and everything else, I think.

Mr. Plummer: The November meeting was moved to the 28th for two reasons. One was Thanksgiving week; the second reason was that the time you have to have between the election and when they can take their office is two weeks. So that's why it was moved to the 28th.

Ms. Landgrebe: Could we do a special meeting the same week as the 28th? I'm just thinking, at the workshop, you can't make any decisions. If we want to be able to make decisions we have to.

Mr. Costello: But like I said, we could do instead of adjourning this meeting, we'll postpone this meeting and to be continued.

Mr. Plummer: When is the deadline to receive?

Ms. Burns: The 10th.

Mr. Plummer: November the 10th.

Ms. Burns: You've got to review them so the Board does that transition until it's the second Tuesday after the election in November, which is the 22nd. So if the intent is to have the new Board members consider it, it's you have two days before Thanksgiving.

Mr. Plummer: You could do what Mike said, you could take the 28th meeting and you could pause that meeting and reconvene that at a later date, which would be maybe a couple of days after or whatever.

Mr. Howison: That makes sense. So we're not scheduling another meeting. You're simply pausing and extending that meeting so that you wouldn't have to.

Mr. Plummer: It's easier to do that in close proximity than it is when you put three weeks between.

Mr. Howison: Exactly.

Mr. Realmuto: That sounds like the best way forward. I was going to ask if we need a meeting. It sounds like some would assume that we're going to make a final selection then. Again, I certainly would want to get some community feedback, assuming we have a couple of viable candidates.

Mr. Plummer: If you have a number of interviews that you're doing or a presentation you're doing and you're down to the final three, that's going to take a vote, so you're going to have to be in a meeting to do that.

Ms. Burns: I think at this point, the November meeting, just based on what we have, it's not like there's a lot of agenda items on that agenda anyway, I think that the main thing would be the restaurant RFP. So I don't think we have two hours of other agenda items on top of what could be two hours of the restaurant.

Mr. Howison: If we could interview folks on the 28th, we could still pause that meeting and come back a couple of days later to make the decision because I do think we'll want to sit on it. Also, to Debby's point, if we did want to ask them to provide a meal or if we did want to visit their current restaurant or something like that, we need a little time to do that.

Mr. Realmuto: So what I hear is that what we have to choose today is the date that we're inviting them to give us a presentation. It sounds like the right place to do that is that November 28th meeting and we can essentially play it by ear. We have the tools available to us. We could adjourn the meeting to a later date if we need more time to follow up and that's I think the way we should proceed.

Mr. Howison: We can move the presentations to the front end of the meeting and therefore, if there are other agenda items, that we could address them at the second half of that meeting.

Ms. Burns: Really, because this meeting is later and I think the next meeting is only three weeks away from there anyway. So if you wanted to interview them in November and plan to make a decision in December to give them more time to either invite them or do that, it's really only a few weeks after that anyway.

Mr. Plummer: It sounds like we're going to wait. We're going to see what we've got and start the process on the 28th then.

Mr. Costello: One of the things that we should remember in doing this is the further we move it back and I'm not trying to rush the process, but the entertainment series and other shows start in January. This is a prime time for them to make enough money, especially in the beginning when you're trying to get a business going, this is a prime time for them to be making the money that they're going to need in order to be successful.

Quite honestly, I don't want to rush it, but by the same token, I don't want to see them losing out on opportunities.

Mr. Howison: Let me just recap and make sure we're in agreement here. We'll look at the 28th for presentations. We will have the option to adjourn that until a later date to, one, make a decision on the restaurant, two, cover other November agenda items. As a last resort, at that point, we could schedule a workshop or a meeting, if need be, but we'll try to avoid that. Then, as Jill said, we've got three weeks between the November and December meetings. Hopefully, a decision can be made to move them along to your point, Mike, so that they can get started.

Mr. Costello: Like I said, the biggest thing that I'm looking at there is that once the entertainment series and all this other stuff starts, that's a prime time for them. When you're opening a business, you want to be able to take in as much capital in order to make it go. The only other thing, like Debby brought up, if we do it with the workshop, we can't vote on it. So I think we're better off adjourning the meeting so we can continue to move the process forward.

Mr. Plummer: Do you mean pausing the meeting?

Mr. Costello: No. You're right, it's not adjourning.

Mr. Howison: Continuing.

Mr. Costello: I think we're better off doing that.

Ms. Landgrebe: Question in regards to minimizing an agenda other than restaurant focus. Are there things that are on the agenda that can be not done at the November meeting but postponed to the December meeting?

Mr. Plummer: Yes, there is. A lot of it depends on what the supervisors put on there. If you just take the basics, it's not a long agenda if you do the basics, but if supervisors add 4, 5, 6 different areas, then obviously, it takes longer, so we can control some of that ourselves.

Ms. Landgrebe: I mean any of the reports, are there reports that can be delayed?

Mr. Plummer: With the exception, usually the only report that really is lengthy at all is the engineer, Jan has been very good at keeping the attorney's report pretty short, but I think that if we don't throw a lot of extra things on there, you could do exactly what you're saying.

Mr. Costello: Do we really want to minimize our meetings in order to accommodate this? I think we're better off, like I said, instead of adjourning meeting, we postpone the meeting and move on after that. Give it a week, something like that in order to do it.

Mr. Plummer: You can make that decision during that meeting.

Mr. Costello: Exactly.

Mr. Plummer: I think that's the consensus that we want to move to. As we all know, obviously, governmental operations move pretty slow. But I'm sitting here looking out the window and I'm seeing one of the complaints we had about trimming and we've already got the trimmers out there working right now. So we're getting some progress. Okay, we're set in the direction we're going to take with the restaurant.

SIXTH ORDER OF BUSINESS

New Business

A. Discussion Regarding Letter Received from Lake Ashton HOA *(requested by Supervisor Landgrebe)*

Mr. Plummer: The next item under number 6 would be discussion regarding the letter received from the Lake Ashton HOA requested by Supervisor Landgrebe.

Ms. Landgrebe: Yes. I wanted to bring this to your attention and I had wished the HOA had spoken to me individually before sending a letter because then they would have known that we had actually taken action at our last Board meeting to have the boulevard and the circle quotes go out to be paid. So they jumped the gun here and I did have a discussion with the president and advised him that we are actually in the process of getting quotes, which I believe Christine has provided to supervisors or we'll let her update. We do have them. Thanks so much. So when the appropriate time comes, I guess we'll need to discuss. Is now the appropriate time to take to discuss the quotes, or no? Yes?

Mr. Plummer: I would say the appropriate time is under report when she brings it up. That would be the time to do that. I appreciate your concern about that. Yes. It would have been convenient if there had been a verbal discussion prior to that, but it is what it is. So we'll discuss it as we come to it in the agenda.

Mr. Realmuto: Debby, I did want to let you know I was at that HOA meeting when they went through that and during the public comment portion, I did bring up the fact of that and I said to them exactly what you said. So if they're trying to do more than just

make a political statement and want to get something done, that this Board has designated a liaison and that you want the person to talk to about that.

Mr. Plummer: Thank you very much.

SEVENTH ORDER OF BUSINESS

Monthly Reports

A. Attorney

Mr. Plummer: Moving on to the monthly reports. First, there is the attorney.

Ms. Carpenter: Keeping with the directive, we've had a very quiet month, worked a little bit on the lease, but I will get with Lloyd now to make sure that since the RFP is out, that it picks up any other changes in the RFP. That's it for us.

Mr. Realmuto: Jan, you also worked a little bit on that joint amenity policy, didn't you with your cohort and made some recommendations there that we will consider under that.

Ms. Carpenter: Yes. That was being considered as normal routine. Thank you.

B. Engineer

Mr. Plummer: Moving along. Right on time. Engineer. The floor is yours, Alan.

Mr. Rayl: Thank You. Kind of along the lines of what Jan said, it's been a little bit quiet. This month, we haven't projects undertaken. We've done an investigation up by 3044 Dunmore, who's reported that area was slow to drain after Ian came through. Where we've got to investigate that outfall, I think it's blocked and it slowly draining down and that's why there was soil deposited there on the curb line. I know there were some work done down the road on that light pole that had to be suspended or restored back in its position. What normally happens is all the particulate matter that's on the streets gets carried along the gutter and it goes down the inlets and goes into the pond. If those outfalls are slowed or plugged or if that water flows just slowed down in any way, then it gives time for all that material to settle out where that water is sitting. So I think that's maybe what's going on there, but we've got to trace down that outfall. There's a manhole down there and we can pull the lid. We can look and see if there's an issue, maybe with the line collapse, we've seen that take place in the community before, but the area does still drain, it's a little bit slow. We'll look into what's going on there. Similarly, that the Dunmore inlet repairs that have been delayed due to the high-water conditions. I did see and Supervisor

Howison pointed out there's one that's getting significantly worse and we agreed to put a cone in to keep travelers off of that. We're still in high water level conditions. I read the gauge before I came to the meeting this morning. Lake Ashton any way is back down to where it was the beginning of September, but even that elevation was still high due to the rainy summer that we'd had and its higher than what we've recorded in years past as well, so it's heading in the right direction. It's come down about an inch and a half in the last five days or so it's getting better but, I really think we need to let another few weeks go by to let those water levels come down and they are receding, but we outfall eventually to the Peace Creek system. The Peace Creek is still at flood stage. There are pastures closer to our office in Bartow that went underwater during the storm and they're still underwater, so that area is slowly recovering but not as quickly. I think that's really it, we've talked about the hole number one repair that was holding. We looked at it again after our September meeting. It stayed tight, so it was good. Then Supervisor Howison you mentioned a new depression, maybe suspect of being a sewer line on Ventana. I didn't see it. I went and looked after the meeting. I didn't see what you were concerned about. Has that come back up again?

Mr. Howison: No. I just wanted to point it out and have you take a quick look. It was the eastern most manhole there.

Mr. Rayl: I'll just keep an eye on that. The last item I just wanted to remind the Board, I won't be here at next month's meeting, but Garret from our office will be here with any report on anything new going on.

Mr. Plummer: You do have the correct date of the 28th, right? We moved the meeting.

Mr. Rayl: Well, maybe I will be here. All right. I'll see you next month. That's all I have for the Board.

Mr. Plummer: Questions for Alan?

Mr. Realmuto: I wanted to follow up onto the Dunmore inlets and just pass along. I sent a picture of one of those where a considerable amount of sand and a resident told me is that it actually started coming out of the inlet, coming up and just settling there. I don't know whether or not that's the case, but I wanted to pass that along to you and I think you said you were going to look at it in a manhole cover down there. Just consider

that feedback, I guess in your evaluation. Then on a related note, you mentioned Dunmore, but the other area where in my opinion we had even more flooding was on Limerick, the corner basically closer to hole one where there were several inches of water completely across the road and maybe that was just the lake level, but maybe you could comment on that for us.

Mr. Rayl: Christine and I spoke about that. Back when we did the pavement inventory, that timing was about the same timing as when the downstream outfall of Lake Ashton was getting interfered with. As I was walking Limerick and I'm looking at the streets and the curb lines out of the corner of my eye saw something in the inlet throat. It was a plastic Folgers coffee can. I thought, well, that's weird. It's stuck in that inlet throat and when I looked a little closer, it wasn't stuck, it was floating. So that really made it register with me that we had a lake level issue going on because Limerick is almost dead level with the Lake 20 system behind it, which is dead level with Lake Ashton. That really triggered a real investigation as to what was going on with water levels, so again, right now, on areas like Limerick, the Lake 20 system, whatever Lake Ashton is doing, that's what they're doing. I would say there's probably not any elevation difference between a water-level I'd go find in the inlet throat in Limerick right now and the water level of Lake Ashton. The outfalls of that Lake 20 system, if you know which ones I'm talking about, there's three lakes all connected. The two outfalls to that system are those two bridges. As you're heading south towards the Marina. If you stop on those bridges, there's a concrete overflow spillway. I've never seen it out of the water yet. That's supposed to be the thing that controls Lake 20 discharging into Lake Ashton. Lake Ashton is over that water level, so they're all integrated, which means that lake is being controlled by the Lake Ashton water level, which means those water levels you see there are direct effect to that as well. So if the Limerick neighborhood was 10 ft above the lake, we wouldn't see any of that, but it's all just right down there together.

Mr. Realmuto: The short summary of how I'm interpreting that is essentially, there's really nothing we can do about that short of measures taken to lower the level of water in Lake Ashton itself because it basically all feeds back from that.

Mr. Rayl: Well, I'll tell you, looking forward, when we first started looking at the obstructed outfall, SWFWMD didn't have any ability to help us because it was an

agricultural activity that was creating the difficulties. We know that property is for sale for development, as are other downstream properties. When development occurs, then that triggers rules that have to be followed and studies that have to be done. There was a lake level study on Lake Ashton in 1985 when it was still Lake Myrtle. Lake levels have been established. Any downstream development is going to have to demonstrate. There will be public advertisement about it too, that we would get notice of a permit getting ready to be issued, but they would have to demonstrate that they're not creating any adverse impacts to the existing condition of Lake Ashton. What it would translate to is probably an improved outfall ditch section or if it's piped, tremendously adequate piping where the discharge from the lake would not get worse than anything that's going on today, most likely would get greatly improved. So nobody really likes to see those things turned into more subdivisions right next to us, but when those things happen, they'll have to follow those rules that right now nobody has to follow today. Those are things the county doesn't have easements over.

Mr. Realmuto: Understood, so what I hear you saying is that essentially our opportunity to ensure it doesn't get any worse or perhaps improvement would come when the property is developed and that perhaps are you doing something to keep track of these issues that we're having due to the lake levels so that we don't forget them or a future Board doesn't forget them when that time comes? These are two recent examples.

Mr. Rayl: Yes. Every time we're in the community, we monitor the lake level just to keep up. We've got a lengthy record of it now, of the water levels that we're experiencing.

Mr. Plummer: Other questions for Alan?

Ms. Landgrebe: No, thank you, Alan for monitoring all that and I'm sure you'll keep us updated on future development and so on.

Mr. Rayl: Yes ma'am. Thank you.

Ms. Landgrebe: Thank you.

Mr. Plummer: Thanks Alan, for your report.

C. Lake Ashton Community Director

I. Consideration of Quotes to Pressure Wash the Curbing and Pavers on Lake Ashton Boulevard

Mr. Plummer: Community director's report.

Ms. Wells: You will see a list of all the activities and events we have coming up. I will not go through it all. That will take a while to go through everything. There's a lot going on right now. So I'll just start with the restaurant update unless anyone had questions on that section. You guys know all the fun stuff that we do around here. So we did send out the RFP via electronic mail to roll over 40 interested parties as well as industry partners. We did send a mailed copy as well just to hit it from both ends. We put a print and electronic add into the Orlando and Tampa Business Journal. We already currently have a membership with Lake Wales Chamber of Commerce. So we reached out to them. They have put a social media post out on their Facebook page. We signed up for a new membership with Winter Haven Chamber of Commerce and Lakeland Chamber of Commerce, you had to in order to be able to utilize any of their advertising options. Winter Haven has sent it out and a social media post, Lakeland, we're working on it as part of the Lakeland chamber membership. You get one free social media post, after that you have to pay for the social media posts. So we're doing that. The couple of members of the restaurant focus group have put it out on various pages on Facebook. There's a Polk County restaurant's page. Then we also put it out via Twitter. We are still working on reconciling the final operations invoice. Deep cleaning of the restaurant kitchen, part of it is scheduled, part of it is not. So I did get two different quotes. So once I approve of one of those quotes, we'll move forward, deep cleaning of the restaurant and the restaurant dining room and kitchen area. The restaurant patio was pressure washed. We are gathering quotes to do some minor repairs to the walk-in cooler and freezer. We reached out to an appliance repair company just to see, once we get everything deep cleaned, we want to turn everything on and test functionality of all of our equipment to make sure everything is running properly prior to someone taking over there. We have moved some events into the restaurant. We did our first karaoke in the restaurant and it went over very well. Wayne was very happy to be in the restaurant again. We had about 80 people that came to that. So they had a good time with that. We have rented out that space twice as well. The cost-saving analysis, we are continuing to do things with that. The public services finally got back to me this morning. He's checking into what the account can be with the recycling as far as if we do have to pay the three months to cancel it, make sure we're on the monthly, and see if we can get any credits from when it spiked from about

800 a month to over 1,000 a month. I'm still working with him. He just got back to me this morning. City of Lake Wales, we are still working on some leak adjustments. We've submitted three leak adjustments for three different accounts. So we're working on getting through that. It takes 60-90 days because they have to wait until the meters get back to normal usage. Then they'll credit the amount for the months that were over. We are still paying that \$70 a month for that inactive irrigation meter that services the irrigation along Aberdeen. So I know Matt will talk about possible replacements of the irrigation in his report. We are still working with TECO on investigating the brackets that were being charged for a couple of our accounts that they have said we should not be. We also identified a couple of other accounts that they had inadvertently charged us sales tax. I'm still working with them. You think government moves slow? Well, I guess it's kind of government related, but utilities move slow as well. We are looking into the Internet and cable bill. We had two TVs that went out in the fitness center not due to any storms or anything, but we did have those go out. In the meantime, we were paying \$10 a month for cable boxes for each TV in there once they went to digital services. So we're looking at replacement options that will include installing a smart TV so we can access the Spectrum app that way and save \$10 per month per TV for that. We are working on that. In regards to the thermostats, Miller's did come back and say they cannot find a thermostat that they can install in that price range of 100-150 per thermostat. They did say that they would charge only \$100 to install our provided thermostats if we wanted to go that route. So staff and I are working on seeing what options we can find that staff can install. I will have an update for you guys at either the November or December meeting regarding that. In the meantime, we are monitoring the thermostats, the ones that can be programmed, are programmed, the ones that aren't we're adjusting in the morning and at night. Sensors have been installed in the dressing rooms to help with electricity there. We're researching costs. The only lights that are not LED in the clubhouse and surrounding amenities are the lights that service the tennis courts as well as the shuffleboard courts. We're researching pricing on that and we'll bring that back at an upcoming meeting just so you can see how much it costs and if there's a cost savings benefit for that.

Mr. Realmuto: Christine, when you bring back the cost of any lights on the courts, could you also bring back how many hours they're used at night when it's dark and that the lights would actually be used? No past history, I guess is what I'm asking for.

Ms. Wells: We're also working with the company that services Ashton Lanes, the bowling alley here, we have an opportunity to possibly enter into preventative maintenance contract that'll give us a little bit more bang for our buck as far as maintaining the lanes. I've had quite a few volunteers come forward that have either coach leagues in the past or been a bowling coach that are willing to volunteer to do pin setting. Instead of paying a service to do pin setting, we can do that with volunteer hours as well and then take advantage of paying them to do preventative maintenance. Our lanes are getting up there, so it's wise to have preventative maintenance on a more regular basis. They can do a lot more when lanes are shut down and not running versus when the lanes are running. So working to get an updated quote for that, the last time we got one was over a year ago. Ballroom marketing options, I know at the last Board meeting, supervisors and previous Board meeting supervisors had asked staff to market the ballroom a little bit more for rentals. We did look into some marketing options. Sheila did a great job researching some of the area publications and things. That was part of the reason the driving force of obtaining a Winter Haven Chamber of Commerce membership as well as the Lakeland Chamber of Commerce membership, because you can help with promoting the restaurant as well as promoting ballroom rentals. I know at one point we had asked if we could do a Facebook page or a website to promote ballroom rentals. We did at one time have that. Then things changed when we had to go through making sure everything was ADA compliant. Jill, do you have other Districts that have a Facebook page or website that promote rentals?

Ms. Burns: Facebook page, no. There are some that have information on the CDD's website where you can book rentals or reserve rooms and things like that through the CDD's website. Generally, we stay away from the social media pages just because there's no way to retain those records.

Mr. Realmuto: Speaking about social media, certainly there were other governments, municipalities such as cities in the area that maintain Facebook pages. In terms of advertising, I mean, we need to come into the 20th century when we talk about

advertising the restaurant. You've placed some ads actually already there. When you say social media, it sounds like it's mostly Facebook. I don't think there's anything prohibiting us from doing that. Again, other municipalities have clearly done it. I think is what we're talking about, ballroom marketing, which is the section we are in. Again we need to get into the 20th century, twenty first century, and start utilizing the forms of advertising that are effective in today's day and age.

Ms. Carpenter: There are services available that can monitor the page and save all the responses and feedback to be compliant. It's fairly expensive. I have one CDD that's trying it now I can give the name to GMS if they want to look into what the cost would be.

Mr. Realmuto: Yeah. I mean, I would hope we have on-site staff who could probably do that as well. Emailing it to themselves would put it in the record and probably satisfy the requirements as those email accounts are included in what's retained.

Ms. Wells: I could get with City of Lake Wales too and see how they monitor their Facebook page for things like that if you guys want.

Ms. Landgrebe: Jan, did you have an additional comment you were going to make in regards to monitoring social media?

Ms. Carpenter: Yes, that it would be very difficult for staff because they don't have the ability to control a Facebook site. That's why, usually, it's an outside vendor or somebody who has sophisticated IT system that can automatically pick up things.

Ms. Landgrebe: Christine, in regards to ballroom marketing, what about some of the bridal websites or whatever?

Ms. Wells: We did reach out to The Knot. They're the name in online marketing for ballroom rentals. They mainly gravitate towards weddings. Wedding Wire, and The Knot have actually combined. Sheila and I had a meeting with them this past Friday to discuss options. They did come back to us. The options they gave us then were just a little outside of any budget I think there would ever be approved here.

Ms. Landgrebe: I'd like to understand. I hear what you're saying, but I still would like to understand those costs.

Ms. Wells: Oh, sure. No, I have a cost for you right here.

Ms. Landgrebe: Okay.

Ms. Wells: It's \$4,528 per year is the holiday price that they just sent me this morning, which means to get it done now. It is prime season to start marketing for events such as weddings, just because we're getting into our prime engagement season. The chambers are going to be where you're going to probably get more of your corporate events, which to be honest, those are the events you want to shoot for. So that is what we got from The Knot. I agree with Steve, all the things with The Knot are all electronic based. They have where you can go on and do a referral straight from the website. You have a business page, so they click on your page and it'll take you to basically a website page that they've created for you that have pictures and such and pricing and ways that you can do a referral straight from there. It will come to Sheila for her to reach out to the client directly. So we did reach out to them. We do currently, like I said, already have a Lake Wales Chamber Membership, which right now, we have fliers and such down at the Lake Wales Chamber office for anyone coming in. Probably could do a little bit more with them as well. Then we have now the Winter Haven and Lakeland Chamber of Commerce membership that we can start utilizing immediately. We're still trying to find a planner to host a bridal show. That's another great way to market your venue to people who are looking for a venue. We did some benchmarking, looking at other competitors in the area. You're starting to get a few more. I think people are starting to realize that was something lacking in the area. At one time, we could completely rely on word of mouth because there weren't any other options in the area. Now, you have quite a few good options that are within minutes of Lake Ashton. So I would definitely encourage you guys to put some amount in for marketing of the ballroom based on some of the feedback that I've received.

Mr. Realmuto: So If I understand you correctly, we now have three Chamber of Commerce memberships, Lake Wales, Winter Haven and then Lakeland. I think those are good investments, but I want to make sure that we're using them to their fullest. I think the driving factor or motivation, immediate motivation was the restaurant RFPs. But clearly, this would, on an ongoing basis, we would want to market things like the ballroom and rental facilities, and perhaps weddings here. I'd like to see them utilized to their fullest, the chamber memberships. We get the word out there and start marketing and utilizing it the way it had been pre-COVID.

Ms. Wells: Currently, in Winter Haven we're listed under restaurants and rental venues. Lakeland, you can only pick one with the program that we got. We're at restaurants right now. Once we move forward with that, we can switch it to event spaces so we can switch it at any time that we'd like. So I know that I've talked with a couple of you that want to move forward with actually marketing. I can start with the chamber routes since we have already purchased memberships. Some of them still charge for advertising even if you have a chamber membership. Lake Wales is free for us just because it's a little bit smaller scale, Winter Haven to Lakeland. Winter Haven there are some items in there for free. Lakeland, they charged for every bit of advertising, and you have to be a member and they still charge you for everything you want to do. You get one free social media posts which I utilized for the restaurant RFP. After that, it's 25 dollars per social media post. Then you have banner ads and such. You can get on the electronic newsletters and they do have print publications as well. So there's still even with those memberships, I can move forward with utilizing all the free items that I can do, but there are some costs involved with that. I don't know if the Board does want to give me an amount to work with to try to see what we can do this year and then maybe look at something like The Knot and Wedding Wire in upcoming years. If we see that, "Hey, we may want to expand."

Ms. Landgrebe: I do have a couple of questions and I would like to understand, with the social media comments is there a way to know what interest we're receiving from those posts? Whether it's from the chamber or the various folks. I've seen their posts on various social sites. Do we have any idea?

Ms. Wells: Probably the only way you're going to know is if you go on there and see people actually commenting or liking. Then how many people call and say, "Hey, I found you guys from a post that we saw in Lakeland Chamber of Commerce."

Ms. Landgrebe: Has anyone done that yet?

Ms. Wells: No. I know that I did just get something in my email before I came up here. I want to say it was from Winter Haven Chamber of Commerce as they do leads. When you go to their page or our page on the chamber, people can submit things to you. That's a good way to know if it came from Winter Haven Chamber of Commerce in regards to the restaurant. You do have those.

Ms. Landgrebe: That's good. Then from a marketing budget perspective, what range would you be looking for to start with?

Ms. Wells: It depends, obviously The Knot is \$4,500. So if we want to maybe try different routes now and move towards that maybe next fiscal year. Right now, I know the Board gave me \$2,000 to work with in regards to advertising the restaurant RFP. I don't know if you guys want to start there and see where we go. It's completely up to you guys. I know we had talked about it prior to the budget, it just never got brought up, so I know it's coming in after the budget has been approved.

Mr. Realmuto: How much of the \$2,000 has been spent on advertising the restaurant RFP?

Ms. Wells: I want to say it was a little over \$1,300. But that does include the chamber memberships in that. The Winter Haven and Lakeland, they were around \$360 each and Orlando Tampa Business Journal, I want to say it was a little over \$300. The other one is same though all about \$300 each a little bit over.

Mr. Costello: Do we want to push forward with advertising the room until we get a restaurant in full operation? I realized that, whatever money we could make out of this room would be great.

Ms. Landgrebe: I don't know that we want to wait until we have a restaurant because we've even been discussing the restaurant may not even be doing catering.

Mr. Costello: I agree with you.

Ms. Landgrebe: So if we can get some events in here, let's go for it.

Mr. Plummer: I agree I would push forward in the marketing of this room, regardless of what the restaurant does. Only because it appears that we're going to have more folks using their own caterer in here than maybe the restaurant. I think we want to move forward. There's no sense of sitting on this. Let's get started with it.

Mr. Realmuto: Are you looking for us to approve in amount now that you could spend between now and the next meeting or could the Board give direction that perhaps the remaining \$700 could be used for marketing the rental of the ballroom for events. We can take up that you might have a better sense of what you might require going forward and come back to us for that.

Mr. Costello: Well, the money is there. If you found a venue, wouldn't you move forward with it?

Ms. Wells: Sure. I can just explore because we're new to the Winter Haven and Lakeland Chamber of Commerce. I can explore what options they have available to chamber members and gauge pricing from there.

Ms. Landgrebe: Are there other chambers that we may want to pursue as well that are south like the Sebring area? I would like to know the range that perhaps Lake Wales would reach.

Ms. Wells: Went for the ones that we thought would reach the greatest population. The only other one nearby would be the Haines City, which they consider like the Northeast Polk Chamber of Commerce. I don't think it's even classified as the Haines City Chamber of Commerce. That'll be another one maybe, but I'd like to see where we get from Lake Wales, Winter Haven and Lakeland, because it's where the majority of the people coming into the room are coming from. Then we can always expand from there. It was literally a \$5 difference between Haines City and Lakeland and I think it makes more sense to go that way.

Ms. Landgrebe: Then the last question I will have for you is that \$700. Do you think that's enough? Are we talking about that just being for the end of the quarter?

Mr. Realmuto: My thought was that we wanted to have clear direction that it's okay to use that money because we really authorized it for spending on the restaurant RFP so that there's no misunderstanding. We are now saying it's okay to use that for event marketing, essentially and my thought was we really only need to do something that lasts through the next meeting. If it's more she can come back to us and ask.

Mr. Plummer: I don't think there was staff direction on what they could use it for. Since we've already established the amount, it is just changing to marketing in other parts of the ballroom.

Mr. Howison: Have you looked at the Haven magazine or anything like that?

Ms. Wells: We did. Sheila did look at it. To be honest with you, I have a folder that's sitting on my desk right now with all the information in it. She's reached out to some of the local publications. There's another one as well. I think one of the chamber members actually does their own magazine. So we're looking at those as well. She does have the

pricing for Haven. I just don't have it right here in front of me. She did a great job with getting local publications and online as well.

Mr. Howison: Do we have any plans to attend any chamber meetings?

Ms. Wells: Yes, that's what I'm working on as well to get because Winter Haven and Lakeland, it's booming left and right. I just need to get my calendar and figure out which ones will fit with what I currently have going on and which ones I think will bring us the most referrals. But yes, they host meetings all the time.

Mr. Howison: Jan, there'd be no issue with one or more of us attending chamber meetings and stuff, right?

Ms. Carpenter: No. I would suggest one person goes so you don't have two Board members talking about District business.

Ms. Landgrebe: We can alternate.

Ms. Wells: The last thing that I had was just an update on Hurricane Ian damage assessment. I'm not going to go through all of that because I know that I've talked to each individual and it's in the direct report if anyone wants to look over that. I did reach out to insurance. I'm working with an adjuster to see if we do meet the qualifications or meet our deductible that we have in place. Getting quotes it was hard before hurricane, it's even harder since we've had a hurricane, but we are moving forward with getting quotes on some of the damage that we've had so we can start getting things back to normal.

Mr. Costello: What about the damage to the wall on Thompson Nursery Road, have we heard anything on that?

Ms. Wells: Yes. I'm working with an insurance agent with Progressive on getting that repaired. Getting a quote as well, I have not received the quote yet. So as soon as I get the quote, I'll send it over to Progressive. They already have a claim number in place. We have the police report on file. So as soon as I get the quote, we'll just move forward with that. But we do have that, I've been in contact with everyone. Just a slight update to you about the funds that we're waiting for from insurance for the bowling alley repair. I did receive from them last week that they had not sent that yet they would be sending it so we should be receiving it any day now and so we'll have those funds. The project tracking list is pretty short right now. Still working on basically everything that we have going on. Matt did approve to go with Heartland Pools on the replacement of the pool cooling

heating unit. Working with them as well in installation of the chlorine automation equipment. Then again, that fencing column damage due to the accident. That's all I had for the community director report. Should we move on to the quotes for the pavers?

Mr. Plummer: Yes.

Ms. Wells: We did receive three quotes for pressure washing. It will include all of the landscape curbing and storm water curbing from the entrance at Thompson Nursery Road all the way to the intersection of Lake Ashton Boulevard and Ashton Club Drive. It also includes the pavers that start at the entrance from Thompson Nursery Road and go to the crossover between holes Number 11 and 12. So it includes all those pavers as well as the landscape medians and stormwater medians. I'll just go in alphabetical order from Gator Pressure Washing, it was \$8,200. Haven Property Care was \$3,500 and Wallace Pressure Washing was \$5,000.

Ms. Landgrebe: And these are all apples-to-apples?

Ms. Wells: They are.

Mr. Costello: The area that we have upfront where we had a problem, is it going to be affected in any way?

Mr. Rayl: I hope they're gentle in that area.

Mr. Costello: I hope too.

Mr. Rayl: Maybe we just want to, well, just maybe monitor when they're just working right there to make sure nothing gets affected.

Mr. Costello: Have we ever found the problem there?

Mr. Rayl: It's been holding on. I know Matt has helped put some fines and things back in there and we've kept an eye on it and I haven't seen it deteriorating again.

Mr. Costello: So hopefully, we're not going to have a problem with pressure washing there?

Mr. Rayl: It's my hope as well, yes.

Mr. Plummer: Hopefully, maybe the operative word there.

Mr. Costello: Well, that's what I said from the get-go.

Mr. Plummer: My question on the three quotes you have, do you have any experience with the three vendors?

Ms. Wells: Matt did help me with getting the quotes from Wallace and Haven. I know Gator Pressure Washing, I think why there's this probably a little higher as well is they informed Matt they're going to be bringing their whole crew out and get it done very quickly is probably why theirs is a little bit higher. They did do this. We did this one-time years ago and they were the ones that did it that time. They've done a couple of pressure washing jobs with us as well. Isn't Haven the one that just started advertising with us in the LA Times? Yes, Haven started advertising us. What about Wallace? Was that Jimmy Box? Yes. Jimmy Box, the guy he uses for pressure washing. That's him. He's the one that pressure washed the column caps. He's done some pressure washing projects for Jimmy.

Ms. Landgrebe: That's Haven?

Ms. Wells: That's Wallace. Haven Property Care is the one that just started advertising with us in the newsletter.

Ms. Landgrebe: This is just the boulevard that doesn't include the circle here?

Ms. Wells: No, it does not. Staff takes care of the circular drive, the clubhouse.

Mr. Costello: I will make a motion that we accept the bid from Haven property.

Mr. Realmuto: I'll second that motion, but before we vote on it, I did have a question I wanted to get in there. That was, did Haven property care gave us any idea of how long it would take them to complete it? Is this a multi-day project and how traffic would be and those details?

Ms. Wells: Matt did meet with Haven. We can ask him, and hopefully, we'll have an answer. We have a joint meeting as well, so we'll have an answer shortly. But we did not ask.

Mr. Realmuto: I only ask because you brought up the other one being quick. I'm trying to make sure we're comparing apples to apples, certainly, with the price difference.

Mr. Plummer: We have a motion on the table made by Mike seconded by Steve, to accept the bid from Haven property care for \$3,500 to power wash curb inlets and storm inlets, etc. With the pavers from the entrance to Ashton Club Boulevard.

On MOTION by Mr. Costello, seconded by Mr. Realmuto, with all in favor, the Pressure Washing Quote from Haven Property Care, was approved.

Ms. Landgrebe: Do we want to send a follow-up letter to the HOA informing them of our decision or just a verbal to them?

Mr. Plummer: Not going to waste the time sending a letter, just verbally tell them.

Ms. Landgrebe: Thank you.

Mr. Realmuto: Christine, before you leave the podium, two things. First of all, I wanted to thank you and Matt for the effort that's gone into the cost-savings you've been working on. I know you and I spent hours talking about those and other opportunities to investigate and I appreciate the follow-through on your end and on Matt's. I don't know if the people in the audience realize we have saved literally tens of thousands of dollars. Just the credit we got from TECO of I believe it was \$18,000. We're not talking about small amounts here and some of them are going forward. That's one of the areas our staff is helping us save a lot of money and there are still many opportunities. That's what I call them out there and we'll continue to pursue those. Again, thank you both of you for your diligent work on that. The second item completely unrelated is you had sent the supervisors an email with a recent violation letter that we got from CDD II and asking how we wanted to handle it. You want to cover that now or is there a more appropriate place? This is for us, I think.

Mr. Plummer: Go ahead, Jill.

Ms. Burns: The joint amenity policies currently state that whichever jurisdiction a violation is committed in, that District handles it first if there's any violation where amenity privileges are being suspended, it would then go to the next Board. It's my understanding from talking to Lake Ashton II, they have not had a meeting to handle that. There's no action necessary from this Board to do anything at this time.

Mr. Plummer: Then the information we received is just the information for us?

Ms. Burns: Correct. Informational purposes only at this point.

Mr. Realmuto: The time it would come to us is after they've taken some formal action on it?

Ms. Burns: If a suspension was taking place, let's say they said, amenity privileges are going to be suspended for six months. As the current amenity roles read, it would then come to this Board at the following meeting. If they said nothing was being suspended, they are making a recommendation to suspend amenity privileges, nothing is being done so it wouldn't come back to the Board based on how the rules are right now. I suspect we are going to be discussing that at the joint meeting because there are some questions, I think staff has on that process and suggestions as well.

Mr. Realmuto: I am a little confused now because there was an actual suspension that had taken place at a prior date. I believe it was October 7th. So a suspension is already in place. I'm a little confused.

Ms. Burns: I think it was for up to 30 days. Is that not, correct? It was a restriction of hours.

Ms. Landgrebe: One supervisor can't make that decision. Is that correct?

Ms. Burns: The amenity rules state that staff can suspend amenity privileges for up to 30 days pending the next Board meeting. Usually amenity suspensions are for, I would say egregious action. If somebody assaults somebody in this clubhouse, the staff can say, "your amenity privileges are suspended for the next 30 days." The reason why the 30 days are in place is because you will have the next Board meeting scheduled in those next 30 days where then it comes before the Board to make a decision on it and let's say suspension for up to a year or permanently banning somebody from that facility, the staff has the ability to do that. That's why that's in place. That the staff can immediately say, "This person is a danger, they should not be at this facility." Then the Board handles the recommendation for how to handle it going forward. But at this point, from that letter, they were not being banned from using the amenities.

Mr. Plummer: With that information, I guess there's no reason to discuss that item further. You have anything else, Christine?

Ms. Wells: That's all I had. Thank you very much.

Mr. Plummer: Thank you very much. Thanks for all the work. We appreciate it.

D. Operations Manager

I. Consideration of Yellowstone Landscaping Quote to Refurbish Lake Ashton Boulevard Median Landscaping with Magnolia Tree and Holly Bush Removal

II. Consideration of Yellowstone Landscaping Quote to Refurbish Areas Previously Maintained by Golf Course (Entry Islands) – ADDED

Mr. Plummer: Operations manager, Matt. I see you have someone in tow.

Mr. Fisher: Yes, my sidekick.

Mr. Plummer: Your sidekick. Welcome.

Mr. Fisher: Included in the agenda packet was the updated operations manager's report. We did include several landscaping prices, which we'll get to under landscaping if you desire, Bob. Aquatic maintenance, CDD ponds are looking pretty good with the cooler weather the hurricane broke up. Some of the larger patches of algae, specifically on Aberdeen pond, it looks like it sunk to the bottom. That's good. Spoke with Archie, our supervisor with the aquatic company and he is working with this techs to introduce a product into the pond that helps with algae treatment in the summer. It's a product they use generally in the winter. We'll see how that works when we approach on spring and summer. My fingers are crossed because we love beautiful ponds here in Lake Ashton. So I will have updates on that. I didn't include in my report, but I did speak with Applied Aquatic about our carp installation, I believe, that's along 10 green. They did mention the vendor is still working on that. Unfortunately, I know I'll have more information as he was going to get with that supplier. It's very good thing, but the demand is high right now. I don't know where we fall into our turn, but I mentioned we had this scheduled out far and that should happen by now. So I'll have an update next meeting as to when we'll get our fish in that pond.

Ms. Landgrebe: Matt, they're not going to try and increase the price, right?

Mr. Fisher: No. I ensured that our price stays the same as when we had it approved.

Ms. Landgrebe: Great. Thank you.

Mr. Fisher: I will have, hopefully, a date next meeting. We move along to landscaping. There were just a couple of items. Yellowstone removed a declining willow trees around the Veterans Memorial. We had some new annuals installed at the entrance off Thompson Nursery Road. Bob, would you like to go into the proposals I have?

Mr. Plummer: You can go right into those.

Mr. Fisher: First of all, last meeting, we were to go back with the revised bid for refurbishment along Ashton Club Boulevard. That bid was included. If you guys have any questions, I'd be happy to answer. Dana's here to answer any questions. It was magnolia tree removal. Flush cut them essentially, and remove holly bushes and install mulch in the center of those islands. So the removal of five magnolias and installation of four blueberries and they would be planted offset, but still centered. So we would treat the stumps of the magnolias with the product that will deteriorate the stump. We won't have to absorb that cost for grinding and the cost savings. Any questions, we'll be happy to answer that for you.

Ms. Landgrebe: Matt, excuse me. That's the \$5,500 per island, correct?

Mr. Fisher: Correct. I had it totaled here. So there are eight islands with magnolias. That total would be \$44,400. There are two islands that have Japanese blueberry and hawthorn and holly. Those two islands to take out the hawthorn and holly would be, I have it here, \$3,714.26 and that includes installation of mulch in the center islands. The grand total will be \$48,114.26 to start that first phase of the boulevard refurbishment.

Mr. Plummer: I'll go out on a limb. I'm going to guess there'll be some questions.

Mr. Fisher: Yeah. From what I gather, this is half the cost of what we brought forth the last meeting, where it was close to or at \$100,000. Then further down, maybe next year, we can look into furthermore enhancing the median with replacement of that purple shrub with ixora. Maybe that rendering you guys had in front of you last meeting is the idea.

Mr. Plummer: Questions or comments for Matt or Dana.

Ms. Landgrebe: Well, Matt, I think you and Dana have two more proposals or another proposal too?

Mr. Fisher: So the other proposals I had on hand, which was item number 2 on the agenda, was the consideration of refurbishment of the areas along the boulevard that were maintained by the golf course. That proposal was included in the agenda. So if you guys have any questions about that, we can answer that for you.

Mr. Plummer: Is that the \$1,904.04?

Mr. Fisher: Correct.

Mr. Plummer: Forty cents. If I'm understanding correctly, that's the four beds as you come in the entrance on the west side of the boulevard, correct?

Mr. Fisher: Yes, sir.

Mr. Realmuto: If we can take these one at a time perhaps, and consider the larger \$48,000 proposal first. They're pretty distinct. I just had some questions about that. I guess to summarize, the main difference and the reason for the cost reduction is essentially that we're not removing the stamps, we're simply cutting them level and applying a treatment that will cause them to decay. Are there any other differences from the prior quotes that we should be aware of?

Mr. Bryant: Yeah. There's considerable. Not only are we not removing the magnolias and stump grinding, we're only putting in four blueberries instead of five blueberries. We're not removing all the Loropetalum and we're not installing ixora or plumbago and we're not putting in rock. There's a considerable difference between what would have been the cream of the crop to overdoing, which is the bare minimum as far as removing the magnolias, flush cutting them, treating the stumps. We'll put for blueberries in-between where the five existing magnolias are now, or remove all the hollies to leave the existing Loropetalum. It's still some labor intense because you have to cherry-pick the magnolias. We don't save a ton of labor. The one thing I did say to Christine and Matt was that if they were to approve everything and do all 10 islands, we would remove the labor from the two islands that already have blueberry because it's just labor, I can make disappear. I can't make mulch. I've got to pay for mulch. So I've got to account for it. But I can push the guys to work more. I can make labor disappear.

Mr. Realmuto: On the labor end of things, the total number was \$48,000, that would cause that to go down a couple of thousand dollars. You mentioned mulch.

Mr. Bryant: Your existing contract, would account for mulch around the perimeter. It wouldn't account for mulch inside the middle of the island.

Mr. Realmuto: Why do we need mulch now in the middle of the islands where we didn't know before?

Mr. Bryant: You don't now, but you will if you remove all of the plants.

Mr. Realmuto: One final question on the numbers. Matt said you're going to replace or install the Japanese blueberry on eight islands, is that correct?

Mr. Bryant: Correct.

Mr. Realmuto: That's four islands?

Mr. Bryant: Correct.

Mr. Realmuto: That would be 32 Japanese blueberries. Wouldn't that be times four?

Mr. Bryant: Yeah. Sounds correct.

Ms. Landgrebe: Dana, aren't you also potentially we've been talking to you about this parking lot here.

Mr. Bryant: Correct.

Ms. Landgrebe: We're talking three pretty good projects.

Mr. Bryant: Correct.

Ms. Landgrebe: If we were to consider all of them at once, I'm assuming you can do a better deal for us.

Mr. Bryant: I can try. We've already reduced things considerably. Like I said, I'm willing to eat the labor for the two additional islands. We're already trading off the labor for the island in parking lot. I can look at it. We can tighten up a little bit if we're doing it all at once, but at the same time, we've cut it pretty significantly.

Ms. Landgrebe: I suggest we might want to consider doing all three. Every month that we delay prices have gone up and we've been talking about out here if now for a considerable length that time, the stones are a safety hazard, the oak trees will damage. It's time, I think.

Mr. Bryant: Keep in mind that one proposal that you're looking at doesn't include, I told Matt we will willingly lift the existing oak trees but that doesn't include any removals.

Ms. Landgrebe: Lift and then put them where?

Mr. Bryant: Raise the canopy. There's some especially the one on the end, the larger one.

Ms. Landgrebe: I thought you said you were to remove that first one.

Mr. Bryant: There was a proposal for that as well. That is not the proposal you're looking at.

Mr. Realmuto: I don't see any proposal in front of us from the parking lot. In fact, didn't we approve the removal of one tree now?

Mr. Fisher: No, you guys tabled it. So we went back to Dana and we got another option was to leave the oak trees alone, remove the rock, put it over by the bottle brush trees by the tennis court, install bromeliads and pine fines in the median and all that done deal. By now the concern is the rock is a hazard to residents tripping, slipping. Bromeliads will not make it an attractive crossover for any guests or residents and it's a visual enhancement as well. So the total for that was \$3,299.96.

Mr. Realmuto: Is that something that was in our packets. We have two quotes in front of us, so we considering a third as well from that.

Ms. Landgrebe: I think at some point Matt that Yellowstone involved in the Aberdeen neither irrigation.

Mr. Fisher: So as Christine mentioned that meter is sitting there at a cost of \$70 a month to the District. That meter waters, those inside shrubs along the Aberdeen fence. So we just need the Board's direction on what to do with that area. We have some prices from Yellowstone right now to fix those. To rerun some piping and put some either drip nozzles or different types of heads. Dana can explain his recommendation if the Board desires to go that route or we can discontinue that meter. Putting those bushes down.

Mr. Howison: So how much is repair of the irrigation system? What's that cost? That's not in front of us, is it?

Mr. Bryant: There was one previously. It's been adjusted slightly but there's a couple of different options. If it was the Board's desire to not, originally, we talked about replacing some of the plants on the backside of the Aberdeen wall, subdue bottle brush or something else. If that was what they wanted to do and we wanted to hard pipe it and put in pop up sprinklers along with maxi jets to the front for purposes of watering the pillars, we could do that. That cost was just under \$5,000, \$4,967.84. If they just wanted to run drip line, we could run a row of drip up and back and put maxi jets from the front to the back without any sprinklers or anything else and that would be \$3,631. Other than that, and then there's still the consideration for West of Aberdeen.

Mr. Realmuto: Dana, is there anything you can do with the irrigation system such that we don't need as larger a meter? My understanding is the reason it's a minimum of \$70 a month is the size of the meter and my question to you is, depending on those different irrigation systems, drip versus the other, or perhaps dividing things into more

zones, we could reduce the size of that meter and therefore our minimum monthly charge. Since we do, I think typically in rainy season go through a few months where perhaps isn't necessary. I'm just looking to get down that charge. Right now, since it's turned off, we're throwing away \$70 a month. Could we reduce that? Perhaps, do the same size meter we use for irrigation at the guard house that's about half that charge.

Mr. Bryant: I don't know what a smaller meter would cost. I don't know if it's worth, what the cost of changing it out would be and the cost of the annual meter. I'd have to look at what meter is there and how many gallons per minute it's supplying and whether or not it obviously depends on whether or not you just wanted to put in drip line or whether or not you want to put in one inch piping with pop-up sprinklers.

Mr. Realmuto: So I'm not asking you for information about the cost of the meters. It's the capacity. What I'm asking you is the capacity. What is the capacity of that meter? Is that what we require or can you reduce it because we know we can cut our ongoing cost in half to the city of Lake Wales if we use the same size meter which is the minimum size meter that's currently installed and used for a little bit of irrigation that there isn't filling the fountain at the guard house. So my question is, do we really require that larger meter? I don't know why it's that large. If we don't, it's a simple decision to go ahead and put in a smaller one, I think. So that's the information we're looking for you. What size do you require?

Mr. Bryant: I don't know what size it is.

Mr. Realmuto: That's something you can come back to us.

Mr. Plummer: We actually now have transpired into four projects instead of one.

Ms. Landgrebe: Exactly.

Mr. Plummer: So let's make a decision. If we're going to incorporate these, at least three of these into one and talk about Aberdeen at a later date or if we want to go with each one individually and make a decision.

Ms. Landgrebe: I'd like to see us bundle all of them and just move forward and see what we can do.

Mr. Plummer: Including Aberdeen, there seems to be some loose ends with Aberdeen to figure meters and those things. I'm not sure we can make that decision today. The other three, I think we could bundle those three if that's the will of the Board is to

bundle the islands, the area that's to the right of the entrance and to the parking lot and did anybody do the math on what that total is?

Ms. Landgrebe: Well, I think Dana, you changed some of the numbers for us.

Mr. Plummer: For the 10 islands was \$48,114.27.

Ms. Landgrebe: That is without reducing labor and some other things. So Christine?

Ms. Wells: I got a little north of \$53,000.

Mr. Fisher: So Dana is going to exclude the islands with blueberry already present. So we're looking for the median for approval for \$44,400 for the median refurbishment phase one right now.

Ms. Landgrebe: Well, no, actually because he's reducing labor.

Mr. Fisher: He's giving us free two islands that have the blueberry on it.

Mr. Plummer: So that's \$4,400 for that one?

Ms. Landgrebe: Thousand.

Mr. Fisher: Thank you.

Mr. Plummer: \$44,000, correct. I just didn't say it correctly. Then we have \$1904.40.

Ms. Landgrebe: Well, there's labor coming off that as well.

Mr. Fisher: He gave us the two islands for free, so we're saving almost \$4,000 off the two islands with the blueberry.

Mr. Plummer: \$1904.40 for the ones on the right side of the entrance. Then you have \$3,299.96 for the parking lot.

Mr. Realmuto: He's rolling it into the savings the two free islands were getting. Think of it that way. Take the win.

Mr. Plummer: Somebody add those three numbers up.

Mr. Howison: It's \$49,500 roughly.

Mr. Fisher: So I'm thinking to not exceed 50?

Ms. Landgrebe: No.

Mr. Fisher: Yes ma'am. That's for all three projects. Boulevard area that was maintained by the golf course.

Mr. Howison: It would probably be the wrong time to suggest we include the original proposal for the boulevard.

Mr. Realmuto: Before we go ahead and move this motion, I think we got the information on the amount. The amount is \$49,500. I have no issues with any of these projects themselves, but I do have a concern about maintaining a new area of what's essentially been the golf course because I'm concerned about the precedent. We're talking about the quote now specifically for the \$1,904 to pull out plans that are there. If it was the arguments being made that it's not part of the golf course. So I guess I just I'm growing frustrated with things being added or transferred from what is the golf course's responsibility to maintain to ours. We're now three years past the time we purchased the golf course and we're still adding new areas that we need to maintain. I just think there should be an objective line that we understand what the golf course's responsibility is versus ours. The question I have and I think I got an answer to it is, shouldn't any area that play for the golf course is valid from? If someone hits a ball there and I realize that it has to be a bad shot because there before the tea or whatever the least alongside it. But if it's valid and someone can play a golf ball off of that, isn't that part of the golf course? If it's out of bounds, well then, clearly, it's not part of a golf course. I'm concerned with the precedence this sets for the objective measure of what's on the golf course and what's out. I don't know if you want to comment on that Lloyd.

Mr. Howison: Thanks.

Mr. Realmuto: I did give you a heads-up.

Mr. Howison: Again, at least three of the four areas are adjacent to that either prior to or adjacent to the pond. So they're behind one of the tees. Two of the areas are behind all of the tees. So Christine, you could bail me out here, but you've got a pretty detailed map of things. It was pretty clear to me that was our responsibility. There is some tradeoff in that they are mowing the area right up here by the sales office or heading to the sales office. Then another area, what's the pond in question that we had a resident had some issues with Matt, is that 20? I think, it is.

Mr. Fisher: Right. Yes.

Mr. Howison: They are mowing around pond 20. That's technically probably our responsibility. So they've agreed they'll keep doing that.

Mr. Realmuto: It sounds like overall you feel it's a reasonable thing going forward?

Mr. Howison: I do.

Mr. Realmuto: If I'm okay with that. Thank you. I just wanted to get that on the table and clarify it so we don't continue seeing this. I do want to say that, and I feel like it's my responsibility to point it out to the Board. For whatever reason, I think we should have, but we didn't include it in the capital reserve fund in our fiscal 2023 budget. We probably should have. Clearly, this needs to be done. I think the cost has come down to something that we can do it and if we didn't do it now, we would wind up just doing it later for more money, so I am in favor of doing this. You have to be careful about when the payment comes due. At the end of our fiscal year, that new tax revenue hasn't started rolling in. I guess we have sufficient reserves at the capital reserve to cover it, so maybe that's not an issue. We want to be clear that it's going to be charged to that account. We probably need to create a new line item for it because we don't have one currently in the budget for that. But with that said, I'm in favor of it.

Mr. Plummer: So what I'm hearing is that the three projects that we talked about, which in total is \$49,500.

Mr. Howison: I came out to \$49,403.

Mr. Plummer: I'm looking for a motion to do that.

Mr. Realmuto: I move that we approve the three projects for a not to exceed amount of \$49,500.

On MOTION by Mr. Realmuto, seconded by Mr. Howison, with all in favor, the Quotes from Yellowstone with a Not-To-Exceed Amount of \$49,500 , was approved.

Mr. Fisher: Thank you, Dana. You guys do most of the work. Just lastly, I included some facility maintenance updates and as Christine alluded to, we've been identifying with Steve areas we can cost-save and just recently came to mind that maybe we can install more motion-sensor lights and maintenance closets, attics areas that we tend to forget to turn off lights. So that's what Alex and I will be working on under the maintenance forecasts for this month, getting those installed and identifying other future savings. Any other questions?

Ms. Landgrebe: Yes. I would like to just follow up in regards to the irrigation, or whatever it is that's in question. If we could bring all the facts for next month that would be very helpful.

Mr. Fisher: Yes ma'am. We will meet with Dana and we'll gather all that information for next Board meeting.

Ms. Landgrebe: Well, let's hold it. I'll give you an extra month to December since November we need to focus on the restaurant.

Mr. Fisher: Yes, ma'am.

Mr. Plummer: Thank you, Debby.

Mr. Fisher: All right.

Mr. Plummer: Thank you, Matt. I appreciate all your work in working with Dana to work out these projects as well.

E. District Manager's Report

Mr. Plummer: Moving along to the next item on the agenda is the District manager's report.

Ms. Burns: We discussed it earlier, but just a reminder that the November date is November 28th. We moved that back because of the holiday and because we have a new supervisor joining the Board. Since we have a new supervisor joining the Board, that means we have one supervisor whose last meeting this is. We're going to turn it over to Mike for a second here and he's pass along our thanks to Bob.

Mr. Plummer: If you were wondering why a smile was on my face this whole meeting now you know.

Mr. Costello: This makes me think that it may be worth while leaving. You look great. Bob, we want to thank you for the time that you spent here. You've always spoken your true mind and voted with your heart. You've been a very major asset to the Lake Wales community. Congratulations. We hope to see you at future meetings.

Mr. Plummer: Thank you very much. I'll use this term loosely. I enjoyed the last four years. There were points in time that I may not have enjoyed it, but for the most part, I have. I appreciate the plaque as well. That'll go in a place of honor. Well, let me rephrase that. My decorating authority might have an issue on that, but that'll be put in a nice place.

Mr. Costello: What you're saying is happy wife, happy life.

Mr. Plummer: There you go. I appreciate the Board and your support through these four years that I've been here and I appreciate all that. And I think going forward, you've got some big items that you need to pay close attention to and move forward with as well. I'm sure that not only the four of you, but Brenda as well will do very good at taking the time to investigate those and make the proper decisions. Again, thank you very much.

Ms. Landgrebe: Thank you.

Mr. Realmuto: Thank you for your leadership, Bob.

EIGHTH ORDER OF BUSINESS

Financial Report

A. Combined Balance Sheet

B. Capital Projects Reserve Fund

C. Statement of Revenues, Expenditures, and Changes in Fund Balance

D. Approval of Check Run Summary

Mr. Plummer: Moving along we have the financial reports. Do you have any questions in the financials?

Mr. Realmuto: No questions. I just want to point out, this is the first report we have through the end of our fiscal year and things are looking pretty good. Some of that may be due to charges that haven't actually come through yet for the month of September. But at least, where the book is currently stand, we showed basically \$18,000 more or surplus of \$18,000 beyond what we budgeted in the administrative portion of the budget and approximately \$46,000 in the field expenditures. Again, that'll go down as checks settle. But restaurant losses and arguably a misuse of the capital reserve fund aside, the rest of the budget is looking pretty good right on track and where it should be. Thank you to everybody who helped make that happen.

On MOTION by Ms. Landgrebe, seconded by Mr. Realmuto, with all in favor, the Check Run Summary, was approved.

NINTH ORDER OF BUSINESS

Public Comments

Mr. Plummer: Next item is public comments.

Larry Hillock (Resident, 4286 Berwick Drive): In listening to the meeting today, I certainly support your desire to utilize the ballroom to generate income but I never heard it brought up once to protect the ballroom usage for the residents who own the facility, and a lot of clubs and activities that are helping this ballroom, so please give that first priority.

Mr. Plummer: Thank you.

Ms. Landgrebe: Are we supposed to respond?

Mr. Plummer: You can, if you would like.

Ms. Landgrebe: I do want to say I think our staff handles the ballroom and residents use of that really well and they've gone above and beyond to accommodate us. We always have had first preference, I think except if someone does reserve for an outside function well before a resident wants it. Do you have a specific concern? I have to say, I think Sheila and the ladies, and Matt and them, I think they really do look at what we've booked first and then work outside into that. Is that a correct statement, Christine?

Mr. Plummer: I think that you're correct, Debby. I think the staff does a pretty good job at protecting the weekly and monthly, et cetera, things that the members have in here and all that. I think that we're doing a good job and basically renting this room at times it is not being used.

Mr. Realmuto: Yes. I agree, staff does a good job. They're aware of the recurring events, and I don't think would rent out something that they know is being used for an event that has typically been used here. Larry, the reason you hear what might sound like an emphasis on that, I believe is because we've seen the ballroom rentals decrease a lot in what we've done with them since COVID, and we're not trying to dramatically increase it, but we're trying to get back to where we were pre-COVID. I think is a good way of looking at it. I mean, we used to have, for example, a website to advertise this space for weddings. We no longer do that or have a person actively working on it. So it's essentially to get back to where we were a few years ago so that the larger community is aware of the resource and when it's not being used by residents to make it available, and bringing in that little bit of extra income to cover the costs of this fantastic amenity for our residents.

Ms. Landgrebe: Thank you for the reminder.

TENTH ORDER OF BUSINESS

**Supervisor Requests / Supervisor
Open Discussion**

Mr. Plummer: Next item on the agenda is supervisor request and open discussion. I have one thing I'd like to bring up here. I received an email in regards to the pink ribbon golf tournament that is coming up here shortly anyway, about a donation or sponsorship from the CDDs. I've sat here for four years and have not seen one come across here like this before, and so I thought since they sent it to me in an email, I would bring it up here, but I think Jill needs to weigh in on this and she may help us with the decision here.

Ms. Burns: Unfortunately, that's not something that we can do. That is not an option for the Board to be able to make a donation of that sort.

Mr. Howison: How much does it cost to sponsor?

Mr. Plummer: There are about four different levels, from \$500 to \$50. Do you want all five of them?

Mr. Costello: No. But I would be more than willing to put \$10 on the table if everybody else would in this way here, we'll have our name over there. Yeah, we can do it as individuals, so I'll put 10 bucks on the table.

Mr. Howison: Me too.

Ms. Landgrebe: I would just like to say that the CDD has sponsored a number of fundraisers for pink.

Mr. Plummer: Not by cash, it's been in kind. It's not like cash money. In kind donations and we don't have that option here.

Mr. Costello: Since Bob is leaving us, we will ask him for \$5 and Brenda for the other \$5.

Ms. Landgrebe: No. I would hit Bob up for the \$40.

Mr. Plummer: Anyway, we will take care of that at the close of the meeting.

Mr. Realmuto: Yeah. I think you had started to say Bob, that essentially, we do support these things, not with a cash donation, but we support them the same as we support many other resident led efforts by providing the communication, the articles in the LA Times, the blast, the room at no cost. So there is support there. Let's not let anyone mistakenly think that we don't, because we're government we're simply not allowed to make that kind of donation in cash.

Mr. Plummer: Okay. Anybody else? If not?

Mr. Howison: It's your last meeting, I think it should fall to you.

Mr. Plummer: Okay. Wait a minute.

Margo Stevens (Resident): I have spoken to this issues a couple of times and nothing has been done. There are, on the golf course, some palm trees with plants underneath them and earlier this year, they put some more sand in or whatever that is, it's white, underneath them. Most of it now is in our gutter or down our sewer system. I would like to see somebody do something about containing that white stuff they put under the palm trees on the golf course. Thank you.

Mr. Howison: Margot. I say that we just approved a few minutes ago for the four areas coming in the gate, we'll put some Bermuda grass there to keep the shelves from coming onto the road. This CDD can't do anything about the golf course itself.

Margot Stevens (Resident): Well you do have a meeting where you meet with the people who do have the possibility of doing that, and I would appreciate it if you would bring it up at that meeting.

Mr. Plummer: I think we've already discussed that with them, correct me if I'm wrong, but there is a project in place to do very similar things that Lloyd just talked about on the golf course as well as coming up the Boulevard. Am I not, correct? So exactly what we proposed to do and the four that we're taking care of the golf course is doing and the rest of them have that project on their list to take care of.

Margot Stevens (Resident): The golf course is doing it?

Mr. Plummer: Yes.

Margot Stevens (Resident): Took them a year.

Mr. Plummer: Well, the good part is it didn't take them two years.

ELEVENTH ORDER OF BUSINESS

Adjournment

On MOTION by Mr. Plummer, seconded by Mr. Howison, with all in favor, the meeting was adjourned.


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Chairman / Vice Chairman