

## Landscape Research Committee Report June 18th, 2020

First of all, I would like to express my gratitude to the members of this committee - Trudy Neal, Pat Altyn, Sheila Basque, Terri Boike, Doreen Fiorella & Barbara Lerch for their views, perspectives and time freely given. It is a pleasure to work with you ladies.

Carol Lovejoy, President of the Board of Directors' appointed this committee back in March to review our current landscape company as well as look into new companies.

As a committee, we reviewed the proposals from Florida Landscape Consultants, Landcrafters, and Trimac Outdoors using our present contract with Laurose Landscaping as the benchmark. In addition, First Class Grass also walked the property but a bid was not received.

After a careful review, we recommended to the Board of Directors' to continue to use Laurose Landscaping. We receive more services for the amount of money we pay them compared to the other bids.

We also made a recommendation to the Board to redo the entry Flower box,(where the Windrush sign is) the wood is decaying and maybe plant some small palms there.

In addition, we did have a meeting planned with the owner of Laurose to review our concerns concerning the landscape. We had broken into 2 groups one for villas & condos to walk the property and make note of problem areas. Unfortunately, Covid -19 hit and we were unable to hold the meeting.

On June 8th, 2020 we received a letter unexpectedly from Laurose given us our 30 day notice to terminate our contract. Carol reinstated the committee.

We are presently reviewing the 3 bids mentioned above. In addition, our manager Chris Stancil has given us one additional bid TLC Property Maintenance and also made arrangements for Jim Simmons Landscaping to walk the property. We are presently waiting for his proposal which will take an additional week. His fertilizer/ weed/ pest control person has to also come out. And maybe 1 more bid if possible.

We have been working by phone, emails & I have met with each member who is presently here on property as I drop off something else for them to read and consider. I have emails in to 2 of the four proposals to try and receive a better quote. The committee will make a recommendation to the Board of Directors' as soon as we can. We all realize this has to happen quickly.

Sincerely,  
Judy Sutherland  
Chair