CROSS CREEK COMMUNIQUE 3/22/2016

ARB

A revised ARB Alteration Application is attached and also posted on our website (<u>ELWCrossCreek.com</u>). Should you wish to make changes to the exterior or your home or landscaping, please consult the ARB guidelines on our website before making any changes.

SOCIAL

Ed Giancola and Tom Ruddy have organized a community spring luncheon scheduled for Saturday, *April 9th* at Casa Cosenza Italian Restaurant. Check our website for details or call Ed or Tom. Hope you have made your reservation and we look forward to seeing you there.

POND LANDSCAPING

Aquatic Systems is scheduled to do the pond landscaping on *May 12th* Please see important memo below from Lynn Romano.

To: Cross Creek Homeowners

The HOA Board and the Pond Landscape committee are charged with preserving and protecting the pond system (with first priority being the large pond to protect the extensive restoration).

The process of selecting a vendor and the plants and their distribution along the banks of the restored pond was a collaborative effort by the Pond Landscaping Committee volunteers, engineering reports and the Pinellas County Adopt a Pond staff member.

The community has a good history with Aquatic Systems (they currently maintain our ponds). The committee retained and worked with Aquatic Systems (Licensed professionals specializing in pond maintenance) to design, purchase the plants and install the plants.

Wind driven wavelets from the pond fountain was identified by our engineer as contributing factor to the erosion of pond banks. Aquascaping is an accepted and recognized way to mitigate the erosion of pond banks.

Aquatic Systems will be planting the plants on Thursday, May 12, 2016. Homeowner assistance is not needed. If you want to offer advice, or have questions or want to assist in any way please do not contact the employees/technicians of Aquatic Systems but rather contact any member of the HOA Board, or Pond Landscape Committee. Aquatic Systems has scheduled a specific amount of time to do the work assuming no interruptions.

Initially the planting may look sparse, but within a few months it will start to fill in. Again, if you have any questions or concerns please contact the HOA Board or any member of the Pond Landscape Committee. Thank you.

Lynn Romano Chair – Pond Landscape Committee

COMMON PROPERTY LANDSCAPE COMMITTEE

Will organize in the next month and take up the task of inventorying, grading and making recommendations to the Board of matters relating to the landscaping of all common property in our community, such as the pool, park, entrances and right of ways (land between the sidewalk and roads).

SIDEWALK AND GUTTER REPAIRS

LRE Ground Services will be making repairs on our sidewalks and gutters beginning the week of *April 18th*. This will be completed before phase 1 of our road resurfacing. Ongoing we will be implementing a painted warning system to alert walkers to possible trip hazards that occur in between our annual repairs.

BASIC CABLE AND COMMUNITY BENEFIT

A survey is being prepared to gather information about our homeowner's use of phone, cable TV and internet services in their homes. From that we hope to be able to better understand the cost to our community for the basic services most of us have and judge the financial impact on our budget. We shall continue to offer this amenity, but will look for ways to make it more cost or service effective.

DOCUMENT COMMITTEE

Will meet and organize this month and begin its review of and recommendations to the Board with respect to the updating and bringing into compliance with state law of our (1) Articles of Incorporation, (2) Bylaws and (3) Declaration of Covenants, Conditions and Restrictions.

BOD MEETING

Our next Board of Directors meeting is scheduled for Wednesday April 13th 6:00 PM at ELWCC

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