

Tree Brush, Vegetation and Noxious Weed Committee Minutes March 16, 2018

Call to Order: 1:00PM

Present: Peggy Olds (Chair), Annette deLeest (Trustee), Karen Pachman (Secretary), Laura Frazier (Compliance Officer/Business Manager), Larry Raymer. Guests: Gil Gonzales, David Tollefson, Gary Williams (HOA Board President)

Introduction and Welcome: Peggy welcomed all committee members and guests. David Tollefson, the new chairman for the Surfside Technology Committee, explained he was visiting all committees to better understand and get ideas for technology improvements. Gary Williams was present to discuss the Surfside FireWise program (see details below).

Old Business:

- **February 2018 Committee Minutes:** Draft of February 2018 minutes have been circulated by e-mail for corrections. Unanimous approval of the revised minutes; they will be submitted to the Board.

- **Committee Charter and Policy Review:** Per the committee's discussion last month, Laura proposed the addition of the following language to the *Board Policy- Procedure and Schedules of Fines (pertaining to tree height only)*.

Section 8. If no remediation occurs after two years from the date fines commenced, the violation will be turned over to the attorney for further enforcement and collection action.

Committee members, trustees and guests discussed the language, implications and any unintended consequences of the policy. All were satisfied with the recommended policy change. At the suggestion of Gary Williams, and with committee concurrence, it was decided to have the Surfside lawyer review the addition before sending it to the Board for approval at the April meeting. Laura will handle the follow-up.

New Business:

- **Tree Report/Discussion:** Laura presented her report for March 2018. Nine (9) new complaints were added to the existing twenty-four (24) complaints and twelve (12) were closed. At the end of March 2018, we have twenty-one (21) outstanding complaints. See attached report from Laura.

- **FireWise Recommendation:** Gary Williams asked the Committee to consider managing the FireWise (chipper site) program by adding it to the Tree Committee charter. After a discussion, and with the understanding that three new volunteers have stepped forward to manage the program for 2018, it was decided that the program will not be under the Tree Committee control at this time. All agreed it was important to encourage new volunteers in Surfside activities.

- **Other New business:** None

Meeting adjourned at 2:15PM

Next Meeting: April 20, 2018 at 1:00 Surfside Board Room

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