# COTTAGES AT MEADOWBROOKE

HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION. INC.

### Budget & Board of Directors Meeting September 7, 2023 Via Zoom

#### **Meeting Minutes**

### 1. Call to Order-Certifying of Quorum

The meeting was called to order at 6:30 p.m. by the President, Elizabeth Ghahary. Board members Deborah Ferguson and Ray Landis were also in attendance; therefore, a quorum was established. It was confirmed that the meeting notice was posted timely at least 48 hours in advance. Jeana Wynja represented McNeil Management.

#### 2. Approval of Minutes

The Board reviewed prior meeting minutes dated June 8, 2023 as prepared by the Manager.

**On Motion:** Duly made by Elizabeth, second by Ray and carried unanimously.

**Resolve:** To waive the reading of the prior meeting minutes and approve them as presented.

#### 3. Management Reports

Manager presented the financial reports and management reports to the Board.

#### 4. Old Business

**Clement Pride Blvd. Wall Renovation:** Certa Pro Painters will begin the wall project on November 6, 2023. Community Updates notice will be mailed to all homeowners. Two proposals were presented: SharpeScapes to clear items behind 13364, 13324, 13322, and 13320 Ashbark Court for \$4,100; and Timber Kings Tree Service to remove/stump grind trees behind 13316, 13320, 13322, 13326, 13328 Ashbark Court for \$2,700.

**On Motion:** Duly made by Elizabeth, second by Deborah and carried unanimously.

**Resolve:** To approve both proposals as presented, and for vendors to proceed with work if homeowners have not cured by mid-October.

## 5. New Business

**2024 Budget:** A postcard notice was mailed on August 17, 2023 to all homeowners regarding tonight's budget meeting. The Board reviewed and discussed the proposed 2024 Budget/Assessment of \$250 per month.

On Motion: Duly made by Deborah; no second.

**Motion Failed:** To change the 2024 monthly assessment to \$235.

**On Motion:** Duly made by Ray, second by Elizabeth; carried forward (Deborah abstained from vote). **Resolve:** To approve the 2024 Budget and monthly-assessment amount of \$240; reduction will affect Reserves funding.

**13324 Ashbark Court:** Homeowner, Carmen A. Bravo-Rosado presented her concern that the fountain, bird bath, pavers and curbing in the back yard were previously approved, however homeowner has discarded her approval after (IRS standards) of 7 years. The homeowner would like consideration from the Board to keep the items. The Board has requested homeowner to provide a photo of the area and then the Board will make a decision.

# COTTAGES AT MEADOWBROOKE

HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION. INC.

**Mailboxes:** Manager engaged vendor to evaluate mailbox painting; vendor cannot bid as project is outside of his travel distance. Manager to engage Certa Pro Painters to provide a proposal instead.

**Cameras:** Numerous cameras observed; no alteration application submitted. Homeowners will be encouraged to submit an alteration application via a Community Updates notice.

**Pendant Lights:** Numerous pendant lights have been observed; no alteration application submitted. Homeowners will be encouraged to submit an alteration application via a Community Updates notice.

**Front Entrance Robellini Palms:** Prior discussion that Robellini Palms are getting too large and will need to be replaced eventually; discussed possibly installing red copperleaf. Tabled due to cost.

**Palm trees in front of homes:** Prior discussion that palm trees in front of homes are failing/diseased. Prior discussion to replace with Black Diamond Crape Myrtles. Tabled due to cost.

**Ixoras at 13367 Ashbark Court:** Previous discussion that ixoras have failed/dead. Board would like landscaper to replace with crotons or variegated schefflera.

**Shrubs under front windows of homes:** Previous discussion to replace shrubs with something hardy (holly/evergreen). Tabled due to cost.

**Mulch:** Board confirmed type/color must be black cypress mulch.

**Landscaping Enhancements:** Project will be completed in November.

**6. Owner Comments:** Homeowner expressed concern regarding neighbors feeding wildlife (Sand Cranes); the Board agreed to add this information to the Community Updates notice. Homeowner stated that ceiling has stains from a previous roof leak; manager to arrange vendor to address.

## 7. Adjournment

**On Motion:** Duly made by Elizabeth, second by Ray and carried unanimously.

**Resolve:** To adjourn the meeting at 7:46 p.m.

APPROVED BY THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS 12/07/2023

Prepared by Manager on behalf of Secretary