## Northrock Residential Association Board of Director's Special Meeting February 26, 2020

## 1. Call to Order: 4:00pm

Present: Rita Hawes, President; Doug Higginbotham, Vice President; Doug Barylski, Treasure; Roy Francis, Secretary; Pat Smith, At-large

## 2. Old Business

## a. Blues Ridge Lawn Maintenance Contract

- Doug B. made a motion to approve the Blue Ridge Lawn Maintenance Contract. Rita H. second

Discussion, Doug H. asked why taxes weren't shown as part of the contract cost. Taxes are an accepted part of the end cost and generally are not identified in contracts.

- Doug H. made a motion that the contract me amended to insert a clause that the grass should NOT be cut lower than three (3) inches in height. Doug B. second

Discussion, everyone agreed that there should be a minimum height for the grass to promote growth and maintain weeds. Motion Passed and contract amended.

- There was discussion on the number of visits (24), that it is too much particularly in hot weather. It was clarified that the number of visits is just that "visits", not necessarily the number of cuttings. There are times when Blue Ridge would weedeat, prune, rake leaves, spread mulch, etc.
- Roy F. asked not to include "no insecticides" in the contract. After much discussion, it was decided to let it go this year, but revisit it when the contract is revisited.
- There was much discussion on the way Blue Ridge is cutting the steep hills with the heavy equipment that is causing terracing. We were assured that Blue Ridge is aware of the problem and it will be suggested that they look into alternative ways to cut those areas.

The amended motion was approved by a vote of four (4) in favor, one (1) abstention.

b. <u>LP Lange Landscaping Contract</u>

- Doug B. made a motion to accept and approve the Landscaping proposal. Rita H. second

Discussion: Doug B. explained how we got to this point in dealing with our tree issue and other landscape issues including storm water management.

Lange is well known in his area of expertise and has served with the Town of Warrenton. He will produce a document under LAMP, Landscape Assessment and Management Program. This document will be a guide that will have town approval and will serve us in our planning and managing of our landscape throughout Northrock. This document will also develop a catalogue of trees that will be acceptable for replacing the maple trees in our development.

The motion was approved unanimously and the contracts signed.

3. New Business

Election for Town Council May 3<sup>rd</sup>. There are two folks running for the seat in Ward 1.

4. **Adjournment:** Meeting adjourned 5:08pm

Respectfully submitted by: Roy Francis, Secretary