

Dear homeowners,

The LSHOA Board met on December 9th to discuss a number of issues related to our common areas. The primary focus was, of course, the berm. Here are the main points we have to share with you at this time;

- 1) The Berm Committee, after doing a fantastic job reviewing various proposals from engineers to address berm/drainage issues, has been dissolved. Their combined efforts have moved us forward along the path to a final solution **Thank you committee members, for all your hard work!!** Special thanks to out-going committee Chair, Karen, who has been involved from the start and has agreed to be a resource for the Board re: berm-related issues as we continue to tackle this monster of a project.
- 2) We have a permit in place, expiring in 2030, for berm remediation. This permit allows landscapers to give us quotes to perform the scope of work outlined in the accepted plan from Pilot Mountain. Only licensed contractors will be considered for this work.
- 3) We have just recently received quotes from landscapers ranging from \$75,000-\$85,000. This is far more than expected.
- 4) We will continue to gather quotes.

In the mean time;

- 5) We have approved a line item in our budget that allows for annual/bi-annual maintenance of the berm area prone to flooding.
- 6) The Finance Committee will meet again to revisit financing options to present to the Board. These options may include combinations of strategies to 'soften the impact' of a singular strategy all at once.

Furthermore, the Finance Committee will consider long-term strategies for financing the upkeep of our other aging common areas.*

And finally;

- 7) We approved the formation of a new, part 2, berm committee to piggyback on the original 'Berm Committee' that was charged with sorting through technical engineering plans. The primary focus of this new committee will be to review all landscaping quotes, assure they are in line with Pilot Mountain's plan (for which we have the permit), etc. A charter will be provided for anyone with experience in these areas who is interested in becoming a part of this new, to be officially named, committee.

If you have experience with digesting contractor quotes and/or a legal background in these arenas, please consider sending your interest to laurelspringshoapresident@gmail.com. You may nominate yourself or others with their permission. The Board will consider all interested parties and appoint this new committee.

***Look for details of a Spring Work day for the Recreation Area!**

Happy Holidays everyone!!

Amy