

**PSHOA Landscape Committee Meeting Notes  
September 14, 2007**

**Attendees:** Ellen Degen, Billy Gamble, Kathleen Nowacki, Janet Kirklen  
**Also Attending:** Ted Wesley, Jerry Williams

This was the Landscape committee's first meeting. Ellen introduced Ted Wesley to the group and Ted shared his expectations for the committee. The committee charter was discussed along with how the budget for Landscaping will be handled. Funds available for the remainder of 2007 will be determined after the finance report is completed. Ted explained how the budget for landscaping in 2008 would be allocated.

The committee voted and unanimously elected Ellen Degen to be the chairperson for the landscape committee.

The current landscape maintenance contract and schedule was discussed. Ted shared information regarding the bids received for other landscape maintenance bids. He encouraged the landscape committee to invite other bids and to help with the selection process. The committee agreed that Ellen would meet with the current company, Longhorn Landscape, to be sure that Preston Springs is receiving services we are contracted and paying for now.

In regards to improving the Preston Springs entry areas the following were discussed:

- Need for a long term landscape plan
- Want to concentrate available funds on main entry ways to maximize effect
- Need to prioritize entry improvements to benefit neighborhood as a whole
- Explore options to improve look of current stone edging
- Identify need and ideas for moving, fixing Preston Springs signage

Many ideas were discussed. Ellen suggested that committee members spend some time observing the neighborhood and thinking about some of the ideas in preparation for the next meeting.

The committee agreed that recognizing homeowners that do a good job with their property is important. Rules and guidelines for a recognition program will be reviewed and revived.

In closing the committee decided that priorities for the remainder of the 2007 year will be:

- Help with selection of a landscaping maintenance company for 2008
- Re-work rules/criteria for a recognition program and publish
- Prepare landscape plan for 2008 and begin a long-term 3-5 year plan
- Look into Keep Plano Beautiful program and how it could benefit PSHOA

Ellen mentioned that there is still one open position on the committee and she will be looking to fill it before the next meeting.

The next meeting will be on September 28 at 10:30am.