



## **Lakewood National Golf Club- TOWN HALL recap from June 18th**

**Friday, June 21, 2019**

Greetings Lakewood National Homeowners,

Please see below Town Hall meeting recap from this past Tuesday evening below. The Town Hall meeting focused on one of the community's vendors, ArtisTree Landscaping. The event started at 5:30 PM at the Oasis Church on Lorraine Road.

Approximately 40 members were present at the Town Hall, as well as the entire Lakewood National management team, representatives from ICON Management and ArtisTree's management team.

The ArtisTree Management Team Consisted of:

Bill Walters- Vice President of Operations

Jeremy Lepper- Branch Manager

Tim White- Fertilization Team Manager

Bob Hall- Irrigation Team Manager

Dan Drumgol- Lakewood National Account Manager

Mr. Bill Walters presented for ArtisTree and introduced his team to the membership. Mr. Walters briefly described ArtisTree as a company and advised everyone that they have been in business for 30 years and currently have 280 employees that service account from Manatee County to Lee County.

Mr. Walters then gave an overview of the various services and topics that are specific to Lakewood National. Those services and topics are:

- Irrigation
  - Irrigation is a supplement to rainfall.
  - Lawns will show stress during the dry season.
  - Most of the recent issues were clogged filters in the spray heads. These filters reduce the silt in the water but will often clog when water level sources are low.
- Sod Conditions/Struggles

- Recent soil conditions has vastly improved with the additional fertilization applications. These applications were approved by the Board of Directors and administered by ArtisTree.
- Mowing
  - Mowing occurs weekly in the summer months and bi-weekly during the fall/winter.
  - Hard edging of the grounds is completed every other week. Soft edging is completed on the opposite weeks.
- Pruning
  - Pruning of the plants, bushes and trees occurs 1x per month for all areas.
- Fertilization/Pest Management
  - The grounds are sprayed 4x per year on during normal conditions. The grounds had an extra 4 treatments completed before the blackout season.
  - Summer fertilization blackout occurs from June 1 to October 1.
  - Pest management for the yard and bushes is completed 1x per month.

Main Questions/Concerns from the membership:

1. Grass conditions at the Lake banks
  - a. This grass is a different type of grass that does not get watered or fertilized as it is designed for Lake Embankment stabilization. The grass will go brown when it is dry out.
2. Smell of the irrigation water
  - a. The reclaim water is filtered through the pumps and at each house. There is no plan at this time to help alleviate any smell that may be coming from the water source.
3. Weeding around the single family homes
  - a. Concerns on the amount of weeding getting done. More attention is needed in this area.
4. Pruning concerns
  - a. Concerns were heard about the style of pruning being done and how to help improve this area of work.
5. Addition of a hedge around the back flow devices
  - a. Any additional plants would need approved through the ARC process with Board approval and at the owner's expense.
6. Irrigation Schedule
  - a. Bob Hall will work up a chart to help give an approximation on when each address' watering zones go off and the specific days of the week.

One last important part of the Town Hall was the introduction of the ArtisTree Work Order System. This system is designed to have homeowners send a request directly into ArtisTree Landscape via their website. This helps them filter and track open work orders. I will attached the work order process to this re-cap letter.

We appreciate your continued support and if you have any questions, concerns, or suggestions, please feel free to reach out to us at any time.

We hope you have a terrific weekend.

Sincerely,

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