

# Foxboro Coventry Towns Homeowners Association, Inc.

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Dear Foxboro Owner:

The purpose of this letter is to provide an update on landscaping concerns reported within the last few weeks, and to inform owners who use the fitness center on the status of the treadmill.

## **Landscaping Update**

As what occurred last July when dramatic changes in temperature had an immediate damaging effect on plants ranging from leaf discoloration, leaf loss, and the wilted appearance of both stems and leaves – the same thing has happened this month. Our landscaping company is confident that the majority of the plant material is still very much alive. One plant in particular (artic willow) appears to have similar appearance issues at a number of locations and exposures. Although this plant does have the appearance of being dead – the stems and twigs are supple and flexible with healthy bark and cambium layers. The outward appearance with the brown to tan colored leaf material is the plants reaction to stress, or a variety different conditions occurring simultaneously or within a very short period of each other. They also confirmed that adequate moisture is available to all plants.

With respect to some of the common areas that appear to be inadequately watered - our landscaping contract provides weekly irrigation service. This service includes checking the overall system, the sprinkler heads throughout the community and examining all the plants. If a plant isn't getting enough watered - extra emitters are being installed. This year, since moving to secondary water, we have been experiencing a lot of nozzles getting clogged, which causes the water not to spray as far as needed. To address this issue – the landscaping company will be installing two (2) filters. The filters will not only help with the watering, but will reduce our monthly expenses pertaining to replacing/fixing heads each week.

## **Treadmill Update**

With respect to the issue owners are experiencing with the treadmill (sporadically shutting down and going into the initialization process) – the management committee engaged Foothill Fitness to help resolve this issue. After a few weeks of diagnosing the problem – they determined that the belt, board and motor should be replaced. Although the motor is under warranty - the belt/board are not. The replacement parts are expected to be installed the week of July 26<sup>th</sup>. Owners should continue to report any problems with the fitness center equipment via email (coventry-hoa@hotmail.com).

Since Foothill Fitness is where Woodside purchased the equipment, along with the fact that their technicians are LifeFitness certified – the management committee is in discussions with Foothill Fitness for providing the quarterly maintenance on the fitness center equipment.

Very truly yours,

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