

Landscaping offer studied

An Aptos landscaping company has offered to maintain the county-owned traffic islands at Rio del Mar Boulevard and Clubhouse Drive in Rio del Mar free for one year, but county officials aren't sure if the offer will be accepted.

The offer is from the Spring Valley Landscaping and Maintenance Co.

Rio del Mar Improvement Association director Marilyn Brenner told the other directors Monday that the company had offered to do once-a-week maintenance of the traffic islands free for one year.

The offer was made

after Association directors and members voluntarily cleaned up the islands last month.

The association received permission from the county to do the work after agreeing to hold the county blameless if an accident occurred.

Nicki Pecchenino, aide to Supervisor Robley Levy, said she wasn't sure if the agreement between the county and the association would allow a business to take over the volunteer effort - even on a no-cost basis.

The Association's newly-elected president, Ray Garcia, announced his committee assign-

ments for the upcoming year.

Past president Bob Curtiss and director George Turcel will serve on the Governmental Affairs Committee, the beach will be monitored by Burt Kendall and schools by Mrs. Brenner and Garcia.

Other assignments include: Commercial - Mrs. Brenner; Membership - Betty Sparks; Newsletter - Beverly Moore.

The Association's representatives on the Aptos Council of Improvement Associations will be Garcia, Curtiss, Mrs. Moore and as an alternate, Harry Federico.