

City Of Belle Isle
Minutes of the Monthly Meeting of the Belle Isle tree Board
October 11, 2021
6:30 PM

Location of Meeting:

Belle Isle City Hall
1600 Nela Ave
Belle Isle, Florida 32809

Present at Meeting: Emily Wakely

Richard Weinsier
Christopher Stalder
Darcy Fritz
Douglas DeYoung

Absent from Meeting: George Travis
Betty Lynn DeJarnette

The regular meeting of the Belle Isle tree Board of City Of Belle Isle was called to order at 6:40 PM on October 11, 2021 at Belle Isle City Hall by Emily Wakely.

I. Approval of Agenda

The agenda for the meeting was distributed and unanimously approved.

II. Review of Previous Minutes

The minutes of the previous meeting were reviewed and unanimously approved.

III. Consideration of Open Issues

1. Tree Services

Christopher Stalder

The board had a general discussion concerning the number of tree services operating in Belle Isle and whether they are registered.

Also discussed was the number of large trees that have been removed and whether permits or Arbor certified permission has been granted.

2. Tree Of The Quarter

Emily Wakely

The board will bring back the tree of the quarter and have it posted in the Belle Isle news letter.

A local Belle Isle tree or central Florida tree will be used and coordinate it with its relevance to the time of year. Pictures will be submitted next time board meets and voted on by the committee .

3. New Landscape Island At City Hall

Emily Wakely

The board approved the changes made to the landscape plan to renovate the parking lot island across from the front door to city hall. Plan has been submitted to the city manager and board waiting on approval to proceed.

IV. Consideration of New Business

1. Butterfly And Pollinator City

Christopher Stalder

The board discussed the idea of enhancing areas of the city to create pollinator and butterfly gardens . The board implemented this idea in the new island design and information provided by the city manager has brought further discussion.

The board wants to begin this venture by installing the new bed at city hall and continuing the concept city wide with input and direction from the city manager.

2. Spring Garden Fest

Emily Wakley

The board was asked by the extension service if we wanted to participate with their spring Garden festival. The board , at this time has decided not to attend the event this year.

3. Spring Events

The Board

The board carried out a discussion on the planning and implementation of Arbor day event . It was decided to increase community involvement and awareness to include the event with the city's Spring Fling event. The board will discuss co chairing the event with the Special Events committee.

Along with tree and or seedling give away via arbor day Foundation , the board will offer pollinator plants to continue the potential new city wide theme

4. Future Tree Board Involvement

Richard Weinsier

The board will hold a meeting with the City Commissioner to discuss additional responsibility's. They could potentially include participation in the yearly quadrant tree trimming , assist in reviewing tree replacements due to permits, review and suggestion on landscape plans . Richard Weinsier and Douglas DeYoung to contact Manager for a exploratory meeting.

5. Board Attendance

Richard Weinsier

Richard motioned to have Heidi contact George Travis and Betty Lynn DeJarnette to reiterate that they have missed another meeting and is unexcused. Douglas DeYoung seconded the motion

V. Agenda and Time of Next Meeting

The next meeting will be held at 6:30 PM on January 10, 2022 at:

Belle Isle City Hall

1600 Nela Ave

Belle Isle , Florida 32809

The agenda for the next meeting is as follows:

Tree of the quarter

The Boards new responsibilities

Pollinator city follow up.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:45 PM by Emily Wakely.

Minutes submitted by: Douglas Deyoung

Minutes approved by: Douglas Deyoung