

City Of Belle Isle
Minutes of the Monthly Meeting of the Tree advisory Board
September 12, 2022
6:30 PM

Location of Meeting:

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

Present at Meeting: Richard Weinsier

Christopher Stalder
Douglas DeYoung
Darcy Fritz
Hannah Wooten
Emily DeLozier
Bob Francis

The regular meeting of the Tree advisory Board of City Of Belle Isle was called to order at 6:33 PM on September 12, 2022 at Belle Isle City Hall by Hannah Wooten.

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. Approval Of The Minutes From May

Hannah Wooten

Richard Weinsier Motioned to approve the minutes from the last meeting

Christopher Stalder Second and the committee unanimously approved

2. Emily DeLozier

Emily DeLozier

Emily discussed the future of her involvement with the board . She stated she will stay on if she is needed and if no other candidates emerge to take her position. The Tree Board overwhelmingly agreed to retain Emily as a board member until she deems the position no longer desirable.

3. New Board Member

Richard Weinsier

The board discussed the current open position and Richard motioned to send out a e- alert to the community that a position is currently available. Christopher second

4. Pollinator Garden

Hannah Wooten

The board discussed the proposed pollinator garden design submitted last meeting . All approved the design. Per Bob Francis, the board will come up with a budget for the garden and submit it to city council for approval.

Chris motioned to have plan submitted and Darcy second

Doug to come up with a budget for the next meeting.

Bob suggested to send out a e alert to see if community members have any plants which coincide with the plan they can donate

5. Tree Permits

Hannah Wooten

The board had a discussion with Bob Francis about helping follow up on existing permits.

The board will visit the residence of the permit and review the removal of the tree as well as the installation of the new required trees.

The board agreed to participate. Bob will review existing permits and email the board as how to proceed.

6. City Christmas Party

Hannah Wooten

The board had a brief discussion on their participation in the event and reviewed last years event. A plant give away can be used again if a new approach is developed to pick winners. Emily suggested a spinning wheel to engage participants and have give aways per destinations on the wheel.

Hannah to attend the next special events committee meeting and discus with them .

7. Arbor Day Event

Bob Francis

This year it was discussed the Tree Board have their own separate event as apposed to combining with the annual spring even. Bob suggested to do a presentation at Cornerstone and give away trees to students along with Arbor day Foundation literature. Second option is to host our own event as we have done in the past ar Wallace field. The board will discuss at next meeting.

8. HB 518

Hannah Wooten

The board had a brief discussion on the minor change to the bill which took place the end of July.

It was also discussed any private property owner removing a tree under this bill must submit to the city the arborist report or report from a landscape architect.

9. Wild Flower/pollinator Gardens

Hanna Wooten

The board would like to establish roadside pollinator gardens in the city. Bob suggested a location at the entrance to Detwyler Shores off Via Flora. The area surrounds a Beachline expressway utility box and also involves Fdot and portion of a private property.

This would be a test plot to show the city. Bob to follow up with the board once he contacts all needed parties.

Chris and Bob also suggested getting either seed or labor help from the community

10. Tree Board Meeting Occurrences

Richard Weinsier

Richard brought up possible meeting quarterly. The board felt at this time we had many projects in the works and we will continue to meet monthly.

Hanna did mention skipping the summer months. The board will discuss at a later date.

IV. Consideration of New Business

1. Palm Trees And Gilbert Park

Richard Weinsier

Richard asked about the demise of the supposed health palm on Nela Bridge. There was one palm which succumb to lethal Yellowing but the healthy palm was tested via Hannah and was deemed health. Bob to follow up.

Richard also asked about the landscaping at Gilbert Park. The Eagle Scout project is being upgraded by the city in conjunction with the Scout and the parents.

V. Agenda and Time of Next Meeting

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

Belle Isle City Hall

1600 Nela Ave

Belle Isle, Florida 32809

The agenda for the next meeting is as follows:

Pollinator Garden budget

City tree permit assistance

Arbor day event

Roadside pollinator area

The meeting was adjourned at 7:45 PM by Hannah Wooten.

Minutes submitted by: Douglas Deyoung

Minutes approved by: The Tree Board