

CITY OF HENDERSONVILLE TREE BOARD - REGULAR MEETING

Operations Center - Assembly Room | 305 Williams St. | Hendersonville NC 28792 Tuesday, September 20, 2022 – 2:00 PM

MINUTES

MEMBERS IS ATTENDENCE:

MAC BRACKETT, GLEN LANGE, MARY DAVIS, PATRICIA CHRISTIE, ANDREAS CRAWFORD, MARK MADSEN

NOT PRESENT: LANDON JUSTICE

1. CALL TO ORDER

2. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Approved

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Approved

A. August 16, 2022 Tree Board Minutes

Approved

4. NEW BUSINESS

A. Public Relations Update - Mary Jo Padgett

Submitted by Mary Jo Padgett

REPORT TO: *Hendersonville* Tree Board

FROM: Mary Jo Padgett, PR Consultant

RE: Publicity Report for September Board meeting

DATE: September 20 2022

Publicity/ events since last board meeting --

Bee City <u>USA</u> projects have been busy since last board meeting. I wrote and sent several news releases concerning Monarch Month and Monarch Migration programs in Sept. as well as for the film screening of *My Garden of a Thousand Bees* coming in late October. The tree identification walk along the Oklawaha on Oct.8, sponsored by the Tree Board and Friends of the Oklawaha Greenway was also sent out to early publications.

Upcoming Calendar --

HENDERSONVILLE TREE BOARD CALENDAR 2022

Thurs., September 22 – A Monarch's Migration program. 2-3:30 p.m. Bullington Gardens. Estela Romero, monarch educator and journalist who works in the overwintering sanctuaries near her home in Angangueo, *Michoacán*, *Mexico*, and Kim Bailey, local educator and farmer/owner of Milkweed Meadows Farm in *Fruitland*, NC, will present up-close and personal views of the monarch's remarkable life cycle and epic migration.

Mid-Sept.-Oct. 7 – *Symbolic Monarch Migration program.* Local classrooms, youth organizations, and individual students are invited to join this international program.

Saturday, October 1 -- Farm City Day. 10 a.m.-4 p.m. *Jackson* Park. *Hendersonville Bee City* <u>USA</u> will man a table/tent with pollinator and gardening information. Tree Board brochures will be offered as well.

Saturday, October 8 – Native Tree Walk Along the Oklawaha Greenway. 10 - 11:30 a.m. Cosponsored by *Hendersonville* Tree Board and Friends of the Oklawaha Greenway. Leader, Kristin Kelly, Henderson Co. forest ranger with NC Forest Service. Meet at Patton Park at the covered gazebo beside the basketball court. Tree Board brochures will be available.

Thursday, October 20 – Film, "My Garden of a Thousand Bees." 6:30 p.m. Thomas Auditorium, Blue Ridge Community College. Hendersonville Bee City partnering with BRCC to present this outstanding award-winning documentary.

Fall NeighborWoods projects -- Dates TBA. Druid Hills, Wolf Chase (20 trees), 9<u>th</u> Ave/Oak St. (20 residents participating), Blue Ridge Villas. Organizers: please contact Mary Jo for Tree Board brochures to make available to participants.

Winter 2022-23 -- Yarn-Bombing Project. During four winter months, 7 trees near the Historic Train Depot on Maple St. will be wrapped in decorative, colorful yarn by the STEAD organization. This art installation was approved by the Tree Board.

B. Lakewood Apartments (CZD) - Travis Fowler, First Victory Construction

Motion proposed by Glenn Lange 2nd by Mary Davis

Approved Unanimously

Tree Board Motion for Lakewood Apartments Based on the submitted plans to the Tree Board, dated 9/2/22, we recommend the following:

1. A number of the proposed saved trees are Bradford Pears. The Tree Board recommends that they be

removed and replaced with appropriate native medium maturing trees as long as replacement does not

injure surrounding trees and are appropriate for the site. Otherwise, the Bradford Pear trees shall

be cut and the stump killed to prevent regrowth.

2. Throughout the proposed development, the Tree Board recommends that any existing or developed

slopes of greater than 10% be planted with appropriate native vegetation (trees, shrubs, and perennial herbaceous plants to stabilize the slopes. No turf grasses can be used. A landscape architect (with wildlife habitat management expertise) will provide and implement a vegetative planting and management plan for this proposed development condition. The Tree Board requests the

opportunity to review this plan.

3. The Tree Board also recommends that a landscape architect (with wildlife habitat management

expertise) provide and implement a native vegetative planting and management plan for the common

open space shown on the site plans with special emphasis on the stream corridor along Clear Creek

and maintaining the rest of the area in early successional wildlife habitat. It appears that wetlands could be developed in this area. The area could certainly be utilized by residents through

the use of walking trails and greenways. The Tree Board requests the opportunity to review this

plan.

4. All preserved trees must be protected from construction activities as prescribed in the zoning code Section 15-4 regardless of use as tree credits.

The Tree Board's recommendations, above, are based on the following guiding city code documents:

Municipal Code, Chapter 46, Article IV, Division 1, Trees & Shrubs, Section 46, 116 & 117; the

Zoning Code, Article XV Buffering, Screening & Landscaping Sections 15-1, A &C and 15-4 A; the

Subdivision Ordinance, Purpose and Intent, Section1.04, Part H; and the Comprehensive Plan, Vision

Statement and Section 3.3, Goal NR-2, Strategy 2.3) and the City

Council's adoption (Feb., 2021) of core values and beliefs as guiding principles as they apply to

the prioritization of existing tree canopy.

Motion proposed by Glenn Lange 2nd by Patricia Christie

Approved Unanimously

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5. OLD BUSINESS

A. Conditional Rezoning: Hendersonville Connections (P22-66-CZD) Resubmittal

Motion to accept Revised Plan for Hendersonville Connections Glenn Lange 2nd by Andreas Crawford

Approved Unanimously

B. Pollinator Bed Traffic Island Four Seasons Boulevard

Staff Update - Mark Stierwalt

C. Neighbor Woods

9th Avenue

Wolf Chase

Druid Hills

Blue Ridge Villas

D. Changes to City Ordinances/Zoning Concerning Trees – Glenn Lange

6. OTHER BUSINESS

- A. Utility Update
- B. Tree Board Budget
- C. Tree Board Vacancies

Andy Crawford - December 2022

- D. Invasive Species Control/Removal
- E. Staff Comments

7. ADJOURNMENT

Motion to Adjourn - Mac Brackett 2nd by Mary Davis

Meeting Adjourned at 3:25

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