



MINUTES
CITY OF LAKE WORTH BEACH
TREE AND LANDSCAPE BOARD MEETING
CITY HALL CONFERENCE ROOM
THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 13, 2025 -- 6:00 PM

ROLL CALL AND RECORDING OF ABSENCES: Present Donna Kerner, Ginny Powell, Diane Brown, and Priscilla Howell.

Scott Rodriguez, Asst. Director for Planning & Preservation; Mina Tawadros, Asst. Director for Public Works.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

ADDITIONS / DELETIONS / REORDERING AND APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA:

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

A. April 10, 2025 Meeting Minutes

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS:

Peggy Fischer mentioned that the Commission decided that Board members will take minutes for all Advisory Boards instead of staff Advisor.

REPORTS: ADVISOR, CHAIR, COMMITTEE(S), AND BOARD MEMBERS:

Ginny reported on Sustainable Yard Series. SOP draft and upcoming Florida-Friendly Landscaping Program speaker series. 'Grasses and Groundcovers' will take place on January 28, 6:00 PM, at Compass Community Center.

Prior to this, we will hold a workshop on December 5, 10:00 AM, at the Community Sustainability office to train TLB Board members about required steps to implement a speaker series event. This event will be advertised in the Lake Worth Beach City Newsletter e-news. We will need to work with Leisure Services on this.

NEW BUSINESS:

A. Street Trees- Public Works

Mina Tawadros discussed that Silver Buttonwoods will not be planted since they don't match maintenance criteria for smaller canopy, smaller root ball, no berries. Dahoon Holly was selected instead based on Chen Moore arborist feedback. 13 trees each 40-60 gallons. Need to wait until November for male trees (don't produce berries). \$51,467. \$17,000 will come from Tree Canopy Restoration Fund. Trees will be procured from Mya Construservice, LLC, who will also plant them. The city will maintain them.

There was Board discussion.

Motion to recommend to approve \$17,000 from the Tree Canopy Restoration Fund made by Ginny Powell, second by Diane Brown. Board unanimously approved the motion.

B. Ordinance 2025-17 - Tree Abuse

Scott provided a copy of the ordinance to the board as a courtesy. The ordinance was revised by City Attorney October 21st and is going to Commission for 1st reading.

OLD BUSINESS:

PUBLIC COMMENTS: (3-minute limit)

ADJOURNMENT

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