

**Minutes**  
**Key Colony Beach Beautification Committee**  
**September 10, 2019 10:00 a.m. Marble Hall**

**Call to Order and Roll Call:** The regular meeting of the Beautification Committee was called to order at 10:00 a.m. by Chair Janie Byland. Members present: Janie Byland, Sara Tracy, Mike Tracy, Rob Dumas and Greg Burke. Also present: Chris Moonis, City Administrator, Janice Scheel Administrative Assistant. Excused: David McKeehan, Jackie Topolski, Sandy Bachman, and Peter Morris. Public – 0.

**OPENING:** Chair Janie Byland opened the meeting by welcoming everyone.

**MOTION:** Motion made by Janie, second by Mike Tracy, to read over the minutes of August 13, 2019 at a later time.

**ON THE MOTION:** Unanimous approval.

**TREASURER'S REPORT:** There were no changes from the previous meeting to report. Chris Moonis gave the net balance as \$5,195 MINUS the holiday spending. This years' budget has been spent

**GARDENING AND LANDSCAPING UPDATES:** Chair Janie Byland has been overwhelmed with the swale. It is ok to do chemical weeding. She planted a border to keep the chemicals off the color garden. It has been brought to public works attention on keeping the hand held wand closer to the ground. Chris indicated he would review spraying procedures with staff.

Chair Janie Byland has done the grooming, new plantings and mulching at the Coconut Path. John and Susan DeNeale have been taking care of new plantings at City Park Gazebo. They have purchased new plants but have not been planted yet.

Rob and his daughter McKenzie did the weeding at City Hall flower garden.

Sara fertilized the paradise trees.

**NEW BUSINESS:** The city wide mulching and fertilizing has been order from Gonzales. He will coordinate with Public Works.

What's your Hurry Parkway is going to be refurbished. Chris and Chair Janie Byland will get together and pick some plants. Chris would like to have some short wispy grass added to the garden.

City of Key Colony Beach sign Greg is overseeing has presented 2 options to the Mayor and Chris. One is painted and one is gold leaf. \$10,000 from the leftover Gonzales project and the remaining balance from the Giving Tree. No money has been allotted for the lighting. The old lights are still working. The new sign has to be well lit. Chris will take care of the lighting on the city side.

**Motion:** Motion made by Greg Burke, second by Mike Tracy to use the \$10,000 Gonzales funds and the remaining balance to come out of the Giving Tree fund.

**ON THE MOTION:** All approved

Greg Burke will stop in the office Thursday afternoon to work on the purchase order to Key West Wood Works. They will need 50% down. Pending commission approval.

Greg and Chair Janie Byland went over to the garage and looked at the starfish banners. There are 27 starfish now. Mr. Brandano, who we have used in the past, will be doing the repairs. 10 will need to be

reglittered, 2 repaired and 8 new banners. 4 have been given to John DeNeale to repair. He has a commercial grade sewing machine. Mr. Brandano has not given a cost for the work. 6 new rope lights have been ordered from Bird Dog Lighting. Totally \$390.24.

Giving tree leaves have been ordered through the Promotions Guy. The leaves that were here have since been lost in Irma. Each leaf is \$12 each. They will bill the city. Another donation has been made to the Giving Tree by C.M. Bishop in the amount of \$100.

The new budget \$5,000. Maintenance. \$3,000. Plantings. \$2,000. Holiday Supplies. \$2,000. Holiday Public Works. \$2,500. Holiday Special Events Insurance. For a total of \$14,500.

Rob Dumas asked about the lines on the road on East Ocean. They need to be repainted. Chris suggested the thermoplastic lines that are heat applied. They may have to be repainted until the FEMA money comes in for that project.

2 benches for What's Your Hurry Parkway have been ordered. Totally \$1250.

Greg asked about the palm trees at Key Colony Inn, West Ocean Drive, if they are in the city easement. The trees are leaning and need to be maintained. The lot needs trimming as well.

There was a plane crash that killed 2 friends of Rob Dumas. He would like to see about doing a bench or a giving tree donation. Chris suggested raising money for a bench in their honor. Rob would like it to be at Sunset Park. Greg suggested putting something in the local paper. Open discussion on donation options.

Someone has been hired in the Public Works department. He will start on September 23. There is also in the budget to hire an additional public works employee. This will give the public works department additional man power for spending time on a daily basis checking on the parks. If beautification has to have something done they have to go through Chris.

**MOTION:** To adjourn made by Greg Burke, seconded by Rob Dumas

**ON THE MOTION:** All approved

The next meeting will be Tuesday, October 8, 2019 at 10:00 a.m. at Marble Hall.

Meeting adjourned 10:55 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Janice Scheel  
Administrative Assistant

