

**MINUTES**  
**KEY COLONY BEACH BEAUTIFICATION COMMITTEE**  
**August 8, 2018 1:00 pm at City Hall**

**Call to Order and Roll Call**

The regular meeting of the Beautification Committee was called to order at 1:00 p.m. by City Administrator Moonis. Members present: Sandy Bachman, Kimmeron Lisle, Sara Tracy and Mike Tracy. Excused: Janie Byland, David McKeehan, Jackie Topolski and Peter Morris. Also present: Chris Moonis, City Administrator and Kathryn McCullough, City Clerk. Public - 0

City Administrator Moonis announced Chairperson Phebe Blackburn has resigned the Beautification Committee due to health issues. He called for nominations for Chairperson. Kimmeron Lisle nominated Janie Byland. Sandy Bachman seconded the nomination. There were no other nominations. Janie Byland was elected Chairperson by acclamation.

City Administrator Moonis informed the Committee, by the City Land Development Regulations, a Secretary/Treasurer is required. Sandy Bachman nominated Kimmeron Lisle for Secretary/Treasurer. Sara Tracy seconded the nomination. There were no other nominations. Kimmeron Lisle was elected Secretary/Treasurer by acclamation.

City Administrator Moonis turned the meeting over to Kimmeron Lisle.

Robert Dumas was introduced to the Committee members as a replacement for the vacancy created by Phebe Blackburn. It was agreed, by the Committee members, to recommend Robert Dumas to the City Commission, for appointment to the Beautification Committee.

Kimmeron Lisle asked Mr. Moonis to discuss the proposed budget and the availability of giving tree funds. Mr. Moonis explained funds donated to the City, and earmarked by the donor, for the Beautification Committee is tracked as Giving Tree contributions. Mr. Moonis said he has the authority to authorize expenditures up to \$2,500 from these contributions. Anything in excess of \$2,500 must be presented to, and approved by, the City Commission. There are also City funds available to the Beautification Committee through the annual budget approved by the City Commission. The thresholds for spending the budgeted funds are the same as those for the Giving Tree. Mr. Moonis directed attention to the proposals from Gonzalez Landscaping for the entrance to Key Colony Beach, the What's Your Hurry garden and Eastside Park. He said, it is his understanding, from Janie, that she would like to do these projects now using Giving Tree funds. City Clerk McCullough explained there are funds in the proposed FY 2018-2019 budget, from Infrastructure, for all three of these projects. Sandy Bachman said she understands, if the Committee waited for the approved budget in October, Giving Tree funds would not have to be used. Mr. Moonis said her understanding is correct. Ms. Lisle said only a few Committee members are currently in town. She said it would be an extreme burden, on the members that are here, to take care of new plantings now. She indicated it would make more sense to wait until October for several reasons, i.e. it will be cooler in October, there will be more Committee members in town, and it could be paid for from budgeted funds rather than from the Giving Tree.

**MOTION:** Motion made by Sandy Bachman, seconded by Mike Tracy, to request funding for the entrance to Key Colony Beach, the What's Your Hurry garden and Eastside Park, in the FY 2018-2019 Infrastructure Budget.

**ON THE MOTION:** Roll call vote. Unanimous approval.

Mr. Moonis suggested discussing the Christmas decorations budget. He said he had just approved a purchase order to replace the hanger for the Christmas banners. Building Official Roussin reported the Public Works crew will repair the brackets for the starfish. He said the electrical connections for the starfish have not been tested yet. His department is short-handed right now but he will make every effort to have the testing completed by the end of the month. Ms. Lisle said it is very important the Christmas decorations be special this year. She is willing to donate a lot of time to make this happen. She will get with Mr. Roussin to determine when the committee members will be able to inventory the decorations still useable.

Sandy Bachman asked about plants around the Sunset Park sign. Mr. Moonis said planting should be coordinated with Corky Speherly. The sign might be relocated.

Mr. Moonis suggested waiting to ratify the budget until Chairperson Byland can be present and until the needs for Christmas decorations are determined. The Committee members agreed to meet at 10:00 a.m. on August 14, 2018. Ms. Lisle will email Ms. Byland.

Beautification Awards: Ms. Lisle explained the Beautification Award and asked Committee members to bring suggestions to the next meeting.

New Business: Ms. Bachman said the trimming of the trees on the Golf Course has really improved the appearance.

Mr. Dumas asked about the debris in the mangroves across the small canal on the west side of the Causeway. Mr. Moonis reported that property is in Marathon city limits.

Ms. Lisle will call the owner of the storage facility and request he repair the chain link fence at the rear of the What's Your Hurry garden.

Meeting Adjourned at 2:10 p.m.



Respectfully Submitted  
Kathryn L. McCullough  
City Clerk