

Minutes
Key Colony Beach Beautification Committee
June 11, 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 10:10 a.m. by Chair Janie Byland. Members present: Janie Byland, Sara Tracy, Mike Tracy, Rob Dumas, and Greg Burke. Also present: Beverly Traeger, Administrative Assistant. Excused: David McKeehan, Jackie Topolski, Sandy Bachman, and Peter Morris. Public – 1.

OPENING: Chair Janie Byland introduced guest Corky Spehrley.

MOTION: Motion made by Board Member Mike Tracy, seconded by Board Member Greg Burke, to approve the minutes of May 14, 2019.

ON THE MOTION: Unanimous approval.

TREASURER’S REPORT: Giving Tree donations remain at \$19,110.24. Costs for plantings at 1st and 2nd Streets, and rotors and sprinklers for East Park, were reclassified to be removed from the Beautification Committee budget. The General Fund contains \$5,195.00, which will go toward trees at 7th Street and East Park playgrounds, and areca palms extension at the tennis courts. If spending exceeds the amount in the general fund, the overage will come from Giving Tree fund.

GARDENING AND LANDSCAPING UPDATES: Chair Janie Byland will check with Public Works Supervisor Greg Lawton if the arecas at the entrance to the wastewater plant and at the tennis courts are being watered. Trees at Sunset Park are being watered daily, and the grass should be watered daily. Watering is being done at the retention pond between 7th and 8th Streets manually with a tow behind trailer. The irrigation at Coconut Pathway that had always been provided by Board Member David McKeehan is now taken over by the City, using R.O. water.

NEW BUSINESS: What’s Your Hurry Parkway is behind on the estimated start date. Money for this will come from the infrastructure budget.

Plants and large rocks were taken from the Oceanfront Condo before demolition. They’re in the driveway of the Coconut Pathway. Chair Janie Byland requested volunteers for a cleanup and workday at the Canal Walk. This is set for Monday, June 17 from 9:00 to 10:30 a.m.

Board Member Greg Burke is working on the entrance sign to City of Key Colony Beach. He prepared a sample and gave a handout. There was open discussion. Chair Janie Byland suggested it’s time to take the plans out of Committee and present them to City Administrator Chris Moonis. He’ll then bring them to the Commission.

Chair Janie Byland gave a presentation of proposed improvements to the Shelter Bay Exercise Park, and provided handouts. There was open discussion. This is a several year plan. Chair Janie Byland will be going to the first budget meeting Thursday, June 13 to present the plan to the Commission, along with a rough estimate of the cost for the first year. The proposed long range project begins with the new budget year. Besides the normal Beautification budget amounts, she will ask for \$62,000 from the City. There is \$19,000 in Giving Tree donations which will also be used.

Chair Janie Byland stated the old bathroom at the Shelter Bay Exercise Park is a mess and that the Public Works department would like to have it torn down to construct a new one. She won't ask for this, she'll let Public Works address it. The Beautification Committee is willing to put some gardens near the existing structure. Citizen Corky Spehrley suggested a tiki hut style bathroom with thatched walls. He explained if a structure is built with solid walls it will need to conform to FEMA regulations.

Citizen Corky Spehrley suggested using fuller, taller trees to cover the eyesore view of the sewer plant, such as Norfolk Pines.

The next meeting will be Tuesday, July 9, 2019 at 10:00 a.m. at Marble Hall.

Meeting adjourned 11:30 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Beverly Traeger
Administrative Assistant