

MINUTES

Beautification Committee

Tuesday, November 14th, 2023 – 10:00 a.m.

Key Colony Inn Banquet Room, 700 W. Ocean Drive, Key Colony Beach, Florida &
via Zoom Conferencing.

1. CALL TO ORDER and ROLLCALL: The Key Colony Beach Beautification Committee meeting was called to order by Vice-Chair Sandy Bachman at 10:00 am followed by Rollcall. **Present:** Vice-Chair Sandy Bachman, Pam Geronemus, Jo Corso, Sandra Glassman. **Absent:** Dave McKeehan. **Also present:** Administrative Assistant Tammie Anderson, City Clerk Silvia Gransee.

Public Attendance: 1

2. ELECTION OF CHAIR, VICE-CHAIR: City Clerk Gransee asked for a nomination for Chair. Pam Geronemus nominated Sandy Bachman for Chair. There were no other nominations. City Clerk Gransee asked for a show of hands in support of Sandy Bachman for Chair. All members raised their hand. Sandy Bachman was elected new Chair.

City Clerk Gransee asked for a nomination for Vice-Chair. Pam Geronemus nominated Sandra Glassman for Vice-Chair. City Clerk Gransee asked for any other nominations. Sandra Glassman nominated Pam Geronemus. There were no other nominations. Chair Sandy Bachman asked the nominees for interest in the position. Sandra Glassman indicated no interest. Pam Geronemus asked for a description of responsibilities for the position. Chair Bachman explained the responsibilities of a Vice-Chair to be an active member of the Committee and to be acting Chair in her absence. There were no other questions.

City Clerk Gransee asked for a show of hands in support of Pam Geronemus for Vice-Chair. Members Jo Corso, Sandy Bachman, and Sandra Glassman raised their hand. Pam Geronemus was elected new Vice-Chair.

3. AGENDA ADDITIONS, CHANGES, OR DELETIONS: City Clerk Gransee asked for the deferral of the approval of minutes to the following month. There were no objections.

4. INTRODUCTION OF GUESTS: Commissioner Harding was introduced as a guest.

5. CITIZEN COMMENTS & CORRESPONDENCE: None.

6. MINUTES **deferred to the following month**

~~a. Approval of Minutes – October 10th, 2023~~

7. BUDGET UPDATE

a. October Budget Report

b. Giving Tree Report

Vice-Chair Geronemus provided the Budget Report for October including available monies for the fiscal year. There were no questions on the report.
Chair Bachman informed that the purchase of last months Christmas ornaments will be coming out of the budget this month.

8. GARDENING AND LANDSCAPING UPDATES: Vice-Chair Pam Geronemus informed on work performed on the East Front Garden by Circle K, including removal of dead and invasive plants in preparation for the installation of new plants. Chair Sandy Bachman thanked all volunteers and the Public Works Department for all their work.
Chair Bachman informed on having met with City Administrator Turner on the approval of purchase of Trinette's and Ixoras for the Front Garden.

Chair Bachman asked for a motion for the purchase of 9 2' Trinette's and 13 3' Ixoras for the Front Circle K Garden, not to exceed \$300.00.

MOTION: Motion made by Sandra Glassman to approve the purchase. Joe Corso seconded the motion.

DISCUSSION: Chair Bachman confirmed for Public Works to complete the work.

ON THE MOTION: Rollcall vote. Unanimous approval.

Chair Sandy Bachman updated on the Butterfly Garden and informed that Donald Steamer and Elynn Eiss volunteered to raise Milkweed to plant in the garden.

Sandy Bachman informed on plans to organize a group of 11th Street residents to volunteer in the Coconut Path Garden. Chair Bachman suggested for 11th Street resident Tim Heitman to come to a Committee meeting to inform on raising butterflies and for a group of 11th Street residents to take care of the Coconut Path Garden. The Committee agreed for Tim Heitman to come before the Committee in January for an instructional discussion on raising butterflies. Chair Bachman confirmed to reach out Tim Heitman.

Sandy Bachman continued discussion on the organization for a work party in early December for the Tiki Garden by the Post Office.

Chair Bachman informed for the maintenance of the Monument Garden to be continued by Mary Kohl in December.

Chair Bachman informed of the light for the 'What's your hurry' sign needing improvement. The Committee discussed the possibility of solar lights to improve the lighting.

Jo Corso asked about the removal of coconuts at Sunset Park. City Clerk Gransee confirmed to bring it to City Administrator Turner's attention.

Sandy Bachman informed of the new gazebo being in place at Sunset Park and the old one having been moved.

9. COMMITTEE MEMBER ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION/APPROVAL

a. **Christmas Decorations:** Sandra Glassman informed on the preparation of the Christmas ornaments and wreaths. Chair Sandy Bachman thanked all volunteers and the Public Works Department for their help and support. Sandy Bachman further informed that Public Works will be putting up the holiday decorations and for the Committee trying to help out as much as they can.

Chair Bachman continued informing of volunteers helping with the decorating of the tree on 1st Street and for Public Works to help with the decorations on the top of the trees. Sandy Bachman further informed on the Gazebo Park Tree being decorated with the help of residents on Saturday. Sandy Bachman recalled for the Christmas Tree in the Tiki having being decorated in the past by former residents Patti and Bill Trefry and asked for interest by the Committee to continue with the decorations. The Committee agreed and discussed what other work can be done to help Public Works. Sandy Bachman reported on taking notes for replacement items for the coming year to be better organized.

The Committee continued discussion on materials and distribution of ornaments.

The Committee decided on the decorating of the Poinsettia Christmas Tree by the Post Office for Friday at 10:00 am.

b. Discussion/Approval of purchase for replacement plants for the Front (Circle K) Garden: See under Item 8.

10. DISCUSSION/APPROVAL FOR UPCOMING BEAUTIFICATION AWARD: Chair Sandy Bachman suggested 420 10th Street for the December Beautification Award and asked for a motion to approve.

MOTION: Motion made by Pam Geronemus to award 420 10th Street with the December Beautification Award. Jo Corso seconded the motion.

DISCUSSION: None.

ON THE MOTION: Rollcall vote. Unanimous approval.

Sandy Bachman asked for Committee members to provide input and submit suggestions for upcoming Beautification awards.

Chair Bachman reported on a nice presentation for the November Award with attendance of Commission members, Board members of the Condominium Board, homeowners, managers, and the Committee. Sandy Bachman informed of the history and the rebuilt of the condominium.

11. NEXT MEETING: The Committee agreed upon the next meeting date for December 12th, 2023, 10:00 am

12. ADJOURNMENT: The meeting adjourned at 10:30 am.

Respectfully submitted,

Silvia Gransee

City Clerk

ADOPTED: 12-12-2023

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