



City of Marco Island Florida

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Marco Island, Florida
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Meeting Minutes - Final

Beautification Advisory Committee

*Chair: Andrew Kirlin
Vice-Chair: Becky Irwin*

*Members: Linda Colombo, Andria Godwin,
Kathy Keeling, Maria Tobin, Peter Strungis*

City Staff: Timothy Pinter, P.E., Patty Mastronardi

Wednesday, February 6, 2019

3:00 PM

Community Room

(1) CALL TO ORDER

Chair Kirlin called the meeting to order at 3:03 p.m.

(2) ROLL CALL

Present: 6 - Chair Kirlin, Member Colombo, Member Keeling, Member Czarnecki, Member Strungis and Member Tobin

Absent: 1 - Member Irwin

(3) PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Led by Chair Kirlin.

(4) INTRODUCE NEW MEMBERS

Chair Kirlin requested new members introduce themselves:

*Kathy Keeling
Eric Czarnecki
Peter Stungis*

(5) VOTING - CHAIR/VICE-CHAIR

Mr. Pinter deferred to next month.

(6) APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

MOTION by Member Strungis, seconded by Chair Kirlin, that this AGENDA be approved. MOTION CARRIED BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:

Yes: 6 - Chair Kirlin, Member Colombo, Member Keeling, Member Czarnecki, Member Strungis and Member Tobin

Not Present: 1 - Member Irwin

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

[ID 19-035](#)

BAC Draft Minutes for January 9, 2019

MOTION by Member Keeling, to amended verbiage on Minutes as stated for Item 6.b., seconded by Member Strungis, that these Minutes be approved. MOTION CARRIED BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:

Yes: 6 - Chair Kirlin, Member Colombo, Member Keeling, Member Czarnecki, Member Strungis and Member Tobin

Not Present: 1 - Member Irwin

(8) STAFF COMMUNICATIONS

City Council Chair Brechnitz welcomed new members, showed his appreciation and commended members for their volunteering efforts.

a. Landscape Maintenance Update - Al Benarroch, Affordable Landscaping

Mr. Benarroch reported white fly issue on Gumbo Limbo trees on island (better process to inoculate is to inject trees). Irrigation working, finished spraying Bougainvilleas for bugs, some Cabbage Palms turning brown, (are not dead, need to flush out). Director Pinter stated plantings did not survive on every median. Goodland Bridge sign plantings are completed, watering truck daily. Palms trimmed, and need to clean up medians. Cleaned cul-de-sacs.

Member Colombo left the meeting at 3:16 .m., returned at 3:18 p.m.

Member Tobin - Replanted medians look great, near Publix on Barfield and San Marco Road (median #4), needs tending. Director Pinter - Not much budget left for more landscaping, only replacing dying and dead materials.

Cindy Shuman, resident at Duchess, 220 South Collier Blvd, medians in front of building not in good shape, some plantings were done, half of bushes and grass is dead. Director Pinter will direct staff inspector and Mr. Benarroch will review location.

b. Staff Report - Tim Pinter

Director Pinter reported:

County had Fertilizer Ordinance Workshop presentation, (viewed on County TV Channel), both sides spoke openly with different ideas with no final decisions. It will be up to Marco Island, Naples and Everglades City to come up with a more restrictive ordinance or County ordinance. Marco Island's ordinance is most restrictive in County and probably in SW Florida. Discussion on black out season to be in fall, or in dry season or to fertilize in wet season.

Joint bike path project (with Federal Grant) later this summer, two shared use paths from Collier Boulevard, Rose Court from Jolley Bridge (6'-8' sidewalks on both sides) to Caxambas Court Circle.

Design will relocate 96 palm trees, (Affordable Landscaping will hold), and relocate trees in more uniformed design. If trees diseased, will replace.

Second shared use path plan on San Marco Road from Barfield to High School. (first phase) Landscaping on north side of San Marco is wide, not planting much. Following year will start on High School to Goodland Road.

(9) PUBLIC COMMENT (TIME CERTAIN 3:30 P.M.)

None.

(10) PRESENTATIONS - NONE

(11) OLD BUSINESS

a. 2019 Marco in Bloom Update

Member Tobin requested \$1,200 budget approval for expenses: Advertising, signs, photo copies and video ad.

Member Tobin proposed home owners participate in award at entrance of Jolley Bridge (as first impression) to appreciate homeowners efforts, and motivate owners by rewarding them. Can also qualify under for "Residential" category.

Changes from last month had Motion that failed to change criteria on nomination form. Need to see landscaping from front yard only, not back yard or unable to get in to site due to security.

Director Pinter commented it was too late to add another category just for Jolley Bridge residents. Three large residents homes are gated, have shrubs, and unable to view front yard. Will postpone discussion to next year.

MOTION by Member Czarnecki, to approve BAC budget to use for advertising in Gazette, deadline date for nomination form is April 15, 2019, voting date April 24, 2019 and award announced at City Council meeting May 6, 2019, seconded by Member Strungis, that this be approved. MOTION CARRIED BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:

Yes: 6 - Chair Kirlin, Member Colombo, Member Keeling, Member Czarnecki, Member Strungis and Member Tobin

Not Present: 1 - Member Irwin

b. 2019 Arbor Day Update, Tree Giveaway - Luwana Milner

Chair Kirlin cancelled due to Member Milner leaving committee.

c. 2019 BAC Community Presentation Update

Chair Kirlin opened up discussion on today's 2:00 p.m. presentation:

*Comments:
Topic interesting and well attended.
Ran too long, went well*

d. 2019 Arbor Day - Tree Planting

Deferred to next month meeting.

(12) NEW BUSINESS

a. Amended BAC Calendar

Chair Kirlin cancelled July 3, 2019 meeting. Consensus 6-0.

b. 2018 Term Accomplishments - Discussion

See below Item 12.c.

c. Discussion of Unfinished 2018 Items

Chair Kirlin had discussion on committee's past accomplishments and unfinished projects.

Member Keeling left 4:03 p.m. and returned 4:05 p.m. She left again at 4:08 p.m. and returned 4:10 p.m.

Lift Stations:

Mr. Benarroch stated some people are stealing clocks, heads, and spraying plants to kill them.

d. No Longer Using Deciduous Trees in Public Areas
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Deciduous trees (completely lose leaves during winter months of year) such as Crape Myrtle.

Chair Kirlin showed picture of completely leafless Crape Myrtle tree and stated Marco Island's population explodes while deciduous trees are bare.

**MOTION by Chair Kirlin, to send letter recommending City Council ban deciduous trees in public area such as: medians and R.O.W., seconded by Member Strungis, that this MOTION be approved.
MOTION CARRIED BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:**

Yes: 5 - Chair Kirlin, Member Keeling, Member Czarnecki, Member Strungis and Member Tobin

No: 1 - Member Colombo

Not Present: 1 - Member Irwin

e. R.O.W. Variance

Director Pinter stated Chair Kirlin has no reconsideration for plantings in ROW which was denied This is not Roberts Rules of Order or not same as City Council, and was explained to him by the City Clerk. BAC meeting October 3, 2018 ROW Variance denied 3-2. Per City Handbook (15-8) personal items on agenda should not be discussed by BAC members.

f. Fertilizer Workshop Update

See Item 8.b

(13) COMMITTEE COMMUNICATIONS

a. Committee Concerns

Member Strungis inquired on litter on island near Goodland Bridge on San Marco Road grounds. Director Pinter stated Affordable Landscape cleans up debris monthly. Mr. Benarroch stated Affordable visits San Marco Road twice monthly on ROW. Affordable

does not touch garbage cans, garbage belongs to Collier County. Member Strungis requested, if possible, to have weekly clean up in future contract.

Director Pinter stated Affordable Landscaping contract is in place for one more year before renewed.

(14) ADJOURNMENT

Meeting adjourned at 4:29 p.m.

Two people in audience.

NOTE: TWO OR MORE CITY COUNCILORS OR OTHER COMMITTEE MEMBERS MAY BE PRESENT