



TREE BOARD MEETING MINUTES
WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 3, 2025

I. CALL TO ORDER

John Tamsberg, Chairperson, opened the meeting 2:00 PM.

II. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Pledge of Allegiance was observed.

III. ATTENDANCE

Present: John Tamsberg, Heather Hasandras, Debbie Evans, Kathy Siena, Lisa Stattmiller-Ferrano, Uma Bhatti, Kimberly Blair Chenoweth

Staff Present: Will Gurney (Landscape Maintenance Superintendent), Rebecca Warner (Assistant Recording Secretary)

IV. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A. JUNE 4, 2025 TREE BOARD MINUTES

A motion was made by Debbie Evans, and seconded by Heather Hasandras, to approve and adopt the June 4, 2025 Tree Board meeting minutes, unanimously passed by John Tamsberg, Heather Hasandras, Debbie Evans, Kathy Siena, Lisa Stattmiller-Ferrano, and Uma Bhatti (6-0); with Kimberly Blair Chenoweth absent.

V. STAFF UPDATES

A. RECENT PLANTINGS & STATUS UPDATES – WILL GURNEY

Will Gurney updated the Tree Board on recent plantings, projects, and miscellaneous items.

Mr. Gurney updated the Tree Board on the following topics:

- Plantings for the Wellington Environmental Preserve (Section 24) expansion area (Moncada property).
- Status of the Tree Canopy study.
- Replacement plantings for the plants lost during Hurricane Milton.
- Information regarding the upcoming planting for National Public Lands Day.

- Status of grants.
- Tree trimming around Wellington.

VI. NEW BUSINESS

A. F.L.O.W.E.R. AWARD NOMINATIONS

Tree Board reviewed and discussed future nominations and the deadline for submitting nomination forms. At this time, there were no nominations submitted.

Tree Board discussed different ways to advertise the awards and increase engagement in Wellington.

VII. COMMENTS

Kathy Siena informed the Tree Board of the annual tree planting for National Public Lands Day on Saturday, September 27th at 8:30 AM at Wellington Environmental Preserve (Section 24).

Ms. Siena discussed the garden tour (with Wellington Garden Club) that will take place on March 21st, 2026.

Lisa Stattmiller-Ferrano discussed the annual renewal of the proclamation for Native Plant month in October.

The Tree Board discussed wildflower plantings in Wellington.

VIII. ADJOURN

A motion was made by Lisa Stattmiller-Ferrano, and seconded by Debbie Evans, to adjourn at 3:00 PM. The motion was unanimously passed by John Tamsberg, Heather Hasandras, Debbie Evans, Kathy Siena, Lisa Stattmiller-Ferrano, Uma Bhatti, and Kimberly Blair Chenoweth (7-0).