



TREE BOARD MEETING AGENDA
WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 4, 2024

I. CALL TO ORDER

Debbie Evans, Chairperson, opened the meeting at 2:00 PM.

II. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Pledge of Allegiance was observed.

III. ATTENDANCE

Present: Debbie Evans, Kathy Siena, Uma Bhatti, Lisa Stattmiller-Ferrano, John Tamsberg

Absent: Kimberly Blair Chenoweth

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

IV. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A. SEPTEMBER 4, 2024 TREE BOARD MINUTES

Debbie Evans requested a change to the motions under the following sections:

- . V. STAFF UPDATES, B. TREE ORDINANCES – PLANNING & ZONING
- i. VI. NEW BUSINESS, A. F.L.O.W.E.R. AWARD NOMINATIONS

Ms. Evans requested that her name be added to the motions.

A motion was made by Lisa Stattmiller-Ferrano, and seconded by John Tamsberg, to approve and adopt the September 4, 2024 Tree Board meeting minutes, with corrections, unanimously passed by Debbie Evans, Kathy Siena, Uma Bhatti, Lisa Stattmiller-Ferrano, and John Tamsberg (5-0); 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. The following was discussed:

- The first phase of the Moncada Project is still ongoing. It is projected that plantings will begin next year (May/June); native canopy trees will be planted.
- Awarded a grant (\$20,000) for the Tree Canopy Assessment.
- Currently applying for grants to go towards replacing the trees that were lost from a tornado (Hurricane Milton).
- The annual planting for National Public Lands Day.

VI. OLD BUSINESS

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

Tree Board discussed advertising for the F.L.O.W.E.R. Award and the deadline for submitting nominations.

John Tamsberg informed the Tree Board that he had a presentation on the F.L.O.W.E.R. Award that was done with the Wellington Garden Club. He stated he can show the presentation again in January.

Debbie Evans requested that staff get in contact with the Communications department to advertise the F.L.O.W.E.R. Award on the Village of Wellington website.

A motion was made by John Tamsberg, and seconded by Uma Bhatti, to change the deadline for the F.L.O.W.E.R. Award from February 15th to February 21st. The motion was unanimously passed by Debbie Evans, Kathy Siena, Uma Bhatti, Lisa Stattmiller-Ferrano, and John Tamsberg (5-0); with Kimberly Blair Chenoweth absent.

VII. NEW BUSINESS

A. UTILITY BILL INSERTS

Tree Board discussed the flyers that are sent out with Utility Bill inserts and discussed mailings of other brochures such as *Create a Florida-Friendly Yard*, from the UF IFAS Florida-Friendly Landscaping program.”

Debbie Evans discussed putting the brochures in Village of Wellington facilities with kiosks and on the website.

VIII. COMMENTS

Lisa Stattmiller-Ferrano requested staff to update the Greenbriar Park webpage to include the butterfly garden/meadow and to find the procedures on renewing proclamations.

IX. ADJOURN

A motion was made by John Tamsberg, and seconded by Lisa Stattmiller-Ferrano, to adjourn at 3:22 PM. The motion was unanimously passed by Debbie Evans, Kathy Siena, Uma Bhatti, Lisa Stattmiller-Ferrano, and John Tamsberg (5-0); with Kimberly Blair Chenoweth absent.

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