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## BEAUTIFICATION BOARD

TO: Mary Wayne Gilmore, Publicity/Media Chairman  
Margaret Griffin  
Marlene Johnt  
Matt Lumpkin  
David Mayfield  
Rodney Powell, Vice Chairman  
Brooke Taylor, Corresponding Secretary  
Kathy Brown, Recording Secretary  
Mark Acreman, Ex officio  
Harlan Harrison, Ex officio  
Gary Sinak, City Council Liaison

FROM: Linda Bender, Chairman

DATE: March 4, 2020

The regular meeting of the Beautification Board is set for 8:30 a.m., Wednesday, March 11, 2020 in the Administrative Conference at City Hall.

Please call Kathy Brown at 968-1166 if you are unable to attend.

F.Y.I. via email: Mayor Robert Craft  
City Administrator Steve Griffin  
Council Members: Philip Harris, Joe Garris, Jason Dyken, Steve Jones  
Jennifer Watkins  
Lindsey Hart

## **AGENDA**

### **BEAUTIFICATION BOARD**

**March 11, 2020**

- I. Call to Order
- II. Welcome guests and members
- III. Approval of Minutes from February 12, 2020 meeting
- IV. Committee Reports
  - A. Arbor Day – Margaret & Rodney
  - B. Arbor Day Poster Contest- Marlene & Brooke
  - C. Beautification Awards- Rodney, Brooke & Mary Wayne
  - D. Media & Website- Mary Wayne & Matt
  - E. New Projects- Matt & David
  - F. Administrative- Margaret & Brooke
  - G. Tree Ordinance/Steering- Margaret & Brooke
  - H. Landscape Work Update -Harlan
  - I. Engineering- Mark
  - J. Planning & Zoning Update -Jennifer Watkins
  - K. Council Update- Gary Sinak
- V. Old Business
- VI. New Business
- VII. Announcements
- VIII. Hearing of Persons Not Listed on Formal Agenda
- IX. Meeting Date and Time- March 11, 2020 at 8:30 a.m.
- X. Meeting Adjourn

**City of Gulf Shores Beautification Board**  
**Minutes of the Meeting**  
**February 12, 2020**

The Gulf Shores Beautification Board met on Wednesday, February 12, 2020 in the Council Chambers at City Hall. Linda Bender called the meeting to order.

**In Attendance:** Linda Bender, Mary Wayne Gilmore, Marlene Johnt, Margaret Griffin, Rodney Powell, Matt Lumpkin, Mark Acreman, Harlan Harrison, Jennifer Watkins, and Kathy Brown. The minutes of the January 8, 2020 meeting were approved with the following additions: Margaret Griffin was in attendance at the January meeting; Linda appointed a committee to establish criteria for beautification awards. Members include Mary Wayne, David, Marlene, Rodney and Brooke.

Mary Wayne moved to accept; Marlene seconded. It was mentioned that agenda needed to be corrected as it noted approving minutes from November meeting.

**Arbor Day-** Many have expressed an interest in setting up an informational table inside the Civic Center including Auburn Extension, Master Gardeners, Gulf Shores Garden Club, Dan Bond with City of Gulf Shores, Lee Jones with City of Gulf Shores, Kelly Reetz with Gulf State Park, Eco Tourism Center and arborist, Dr. Beau Broadbeck. Several local businesses will provide snacks and beverages for attendees.

**Arbor Day Poster Contest-** Marlene and Brooke shared the Arbor Day poster contest winners and will be displaying those framed posters at Woodside Grill in Gulf State Park and then at Arbor Day Celebration.

**Beautification Awards-** Mary Wayne distributed Beautification Award Criteria to all members. She requested discussion and/or a vote to adopt. Rodney asked that adoption be tabled until the March meeting.

**Media & Website-** The Arbor Day flyer has been posted on the City's website and Facebook page. Margaret requested that perhaps banners could be purchased for next year's Arbor Day event.

**New Projects-** No report

**Administrative-** Mary Wayne moved to accept by-laws as presented; Marlene seconded.

**Tree Ordinance/Steering-** Margaret reported that the Mayor would like to see the Tree ordinance updated. Lee Jones, Planning and Zoning director, will be in attendance at the March meeting to discuss with Board.

**Landscape-** Harlan distributed handouts and tree tags for Arbor Day. He reported that the Municipal Forestry Institute will hold their annual conference February 22-28 at Gulf State Park. A special tree planting ceremony will be held. Board members will be notified and invited to attend.

**Engineering:** Mark gave a report on upcoming projects: The City has received a 54 million dollar Restore and BUILD grant to be used for infrastructure improvements to include an additional southbound lane to Hwy. 59, a pedestrian bridge over the ICW, realignment of Canal Road on the east side of town and the addition of a pedestrian bridge to link up to the north shore, a new road extending beyond the Mariculture Center that will loop back to County Road 4.

Other projects include:

A free standing emergency room that should be completed by May of 2021.

Shade structures will be added to bleachers at the Sportsplex.

Construction of Kids' Park will begin in 2021.

Beach walking district is under design. This project will go from E 2<sup>nd</sup> Street to W 2<sup>nd</sup> Street and from Beach Highway to 2<sup>nd</sup> Avenue.

**Planning & Zoning-** Jennifer reported that the 2020 census will begin April 1. Lee Jones will have a table at Arbor Day to answer questions and give options for completing census.

**Council Update-** No report

**Old Business-** None

**New Business-** None

The next Beautification Board meeting will be held March 11 at 8:30 a.m.

With no further business, Mary Wayne moved to adjourn, Marlene seconded the motion.

Respectfully submitted,

Kathy Brown