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## BEAUTIFICATION BOARD

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

FROM: Linda Bender, Chairman

DATE: December 23, 2019

The regular meeting of the Beautification Board is set for 8:30 a.m., Wednesday, January 8, 2020 in the Council Chambers 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  
Hanna Lairy

# AGENDA

## BEAUTIFICATION BOARD

January 8, 2020

- I. Call to Order
- II. Welcome guests and members
- III. Approval of Minutes from October 16, 2019 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
  - H. Landscape Work Update -Harlan
  - I. Public Works Update- Mark
  - J. Planning & Zoning Update -Jennifer Watkins
  - K. Council Update- Gary Sinak
- V. Old Business
  - A. Christmas Decorations
  - B. Review Bylaws
- VI. New Business
  - A. Announcements
- VII. Hearing of Persons Not Listed on Formal Agenda
- VIII. Meeting Date and Time
- IX. Meeting Adjourn

**City of Gulf Shores Beautification Board**  
**Minutes of the Meeting**  
**October 16, 2019**

The Gulf Shores Beautification Board met on Wednesday, October 16, 2019 in the Administrative Conference Room at City Hall. Linda Bender, Chairman, called the meeting to order at 8:30 a.m.

**In Attendance:** Linda Bender, Mary Wayne Gilmore, Marlene Johnt, Brooke Taylor, Mark Acreman, Harlan Harrison, Jennifer Watkins, Gary Sinak and Kathy Brown.

The minutes of the September 11<sup>th</sup> meeting were approved. Mary Wayne moved to accept; Brooke seconded.

Mary Wayne, Brooke, Linda and Harlan attended the AUFA conference and shared information that was meaningful. Mary Wayne found the topic, "Fifty Trees for Alabama", to be informative. Mary Wayne and Brooke reported that the tree identification class was interesting as well as the discussion about how storm water affects trees. Linda attended the herbicide session and shared some information about using Round-up effectively.

**Arbor Day-** No report

**Arbor Day Poster Contest-** Marlene, Brooke and Mary Wayne plan to schedule a meeting with the Elementary School principal and the gifted teacher to present the poster contest information.

**Beautification Awards-** Mary Wayne proposed that an award be given to Gulf Shores City Schools for the work that was done to renovate the grounds around all three campuses. An award will also be given to Gulf Shores Middle School for the beautiful courtyard that Harlan and his crew created. This work was made possible through a grant given by Republic Services. Award notifications will be shown on the schools' new reader boards. Mary Wayne will present certificates at the Board of Education at the November 7<sup>th</sup> or 14<sup>th</sup> meeting. Mary Wayne mentioned that she noticed residences on Canal Road and at Islandwood as possible seasonal winners. Any suggestions would be appreciated.

**Media & Website-** Mary Wayne is planning to set up a meeting with Hanna to discuss upcoming events so that these items can be placed on the City's website and social media.

**New Projects-** No report

**Administrative-** Margaret has a list of suggested changes to the by-laws that will be discussed at a later date. Mark proposed that any suggestions/changes be sent to Kathy for distribution.

**Tree Ordinance/Steering-** Linda reported that the committee met last Tuesday and are continuing to work on changes to the Ordinance. Mark mentioned that several members of the Planning Commission would be willing to review proposed changes and would make suggestions to the committee.

**Landscape-** The greenhouse has been completed with fall annuals growing there. The Landscape Department is working at Mo's Landing where swings, arbors and a butterfly bed will be added with a cypress tree as the center point. This will be a memorial site for a couple who lost their son to cancer.

**Public Works-** Five oak trees will be relocated on Coastal Gateway Boulevard that will be planted in the median.

Asiatic jasmine will be planted along Highway 182 once the weather is permissible.

Bike lanes will be added to Wedgewood Drive the week of October 21-25.

The Eco Tourism Center design contract has been awarded. An architect who specializes in green design will be working on this project which is fully funded through the RESTORE Act.

The Sensory Garden ribbon cutting ceremony and recognition of Evelyn Sanders will be held October 21 at 4:30 p.m.

November 7 at the Adult Activity Center from 5:30- 7:00, a follow-up community outreach meeting for Canal Road realignment project will be held. The top three options will be presented for voting.

**Planning & Zoning-** No report

**Council Update-** Gary stated that the terminal and tower at the airport are in the design phase. The Medical Board is looking at different locations for new medical facilities.

**Old Business-**none

**New business-** none

The next Beautification Board meeting will be held November 13.

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

Respectfully submitted,

Kathy Brown