

The City of Lake Worth Tree Board
Regular Meeting Minutes
November 9, 2023

Call to order: 6:04

Members Present: D. Kerner, P. Hallowell, G. Powell, D. Brown, B. Jungles

Members Absent: None

Staff Present: David McGrew, City Horticulturist/Board Advisor

Agenda additions, deletions, reordering: None

Approval of minutes: The minutes from the October 9, 2023, were presented for adoption. Motion made by G. Powell to approve the minutes as presented; seconded by D. Brown

Yays: 5 Nays: 0

Reports: The advisor D. McGrew reported that the website updates are pending with the City Manager's office approval and that the budget amendment for the brochure will be included in the budget amendment for the Bryant Park tree planting.

New Business:

- A. Training-Sunshine law, ethics, and hazard tree removal preemption statute
City attorney Elizabeth Lenihan provided training to the board on the sunshine law, Palm Beach County Commission on Ethics required training and Florida statute 163.45 relating to hazard tree removals on residential properties. The Board then discussed the hazard tree removal statute.
- B. Community Greening discussion-the board discussed the Community Greening presentation to the commission and the services that they offer.

Old Business:

- A. Tree City USA application update - The advisor reported that the 2023 Tree City USA 2023 recertification application was submitted to the Arbor Day Foundation and that the application was accepted and approved by the state forester and is waiting final approval from the Arbor Day Foundation.
- B. Neighbors Encouraging Shade Trees (NEST) update-Tree Planting in Bryant Park
The Board discussed the bid/proposal process, tree selection, tree quality, and aftercare for the Bryant Park Tree planting.
- C. Beach landscape inspection and renovation update
The board reviewed and discussed the beach landscape report.
A motion was made by D. Brown seconded by P. Hallowell to make the changes as discussed and to send it to Public Works.
Yays: 5 Nays: 0

Public comment: R. Stowe Spoke about the Bryant Park tree planting and maintenance.

Adjourned 8:01