

**LAKE CITY/COLUMBIA COUNTY BEAUTIFICATION COMMITTEE
FEBRUARY 12, 2013**

MINUTES

There was a regular called meeting of the Lake City/Columbia County Beautification Committee held on February 12, 2013, located at City Hall, located at 205 North Marion Avenue and beginning at 4:00 P.M.

Present: Bettye Lane- Chair
 Scarlet Frisina- Citizen, Board of County Commissioners
 Nick Harwell- Airport Manager
 Thomas Henry- Lake City Public Works Director
 Tresca Crusaw- Vystar Credit Union
 Michele Greene- Deputy City Clerk

Ms. Melinda Moses, Ms. Faye Bowling-Warren and Mr. James Montgomery had advised earlier that they would be unable to attend.

Due to a lack of a quorum, no official action was taken at this meeting.

I. Call to order

Ms. Lane called the meeting to order at 4:00 pm.

II. Review and adoption of minutes- December 11, 2012

The minutes from the December 11, 2012 meeting will be presented at the next scheduled meeting for approval.

III. Florida Arbor Day

- A. Event quality
- B. Special positive
- C. Suggestions for improvement

Members discussed how well the Florida Arbor Day event went. Ms. Lane suggested considering honoring Coach Richard Anders for the 2014 Florida Arbor Day event. Mr. Henry voiced concern about getting all invoices in a timely manner.

IV. National Arbor Day Tree Give-Away

- A. Date/Time/Location
 Ms. Lane advised the Tree Give-Away for National Arbor Day would be on Friday, April 26, 2014 located at Memorial Stadium from 10 am until 1 pm.
- B. Contacts
 Ms. Lane reminded members about contacting the Supervisor of Elections Office for a representative to attend for voter registration purposes. Ms. Lane also added the need to get with Dave Clanton about having assistance with registering residents at the event.

Ms. Lane stated the committee would get with Mayor Witt to find out if he had been in contact with any representatives from Elliano's.

C. Program/ Publicity

Mr. Harwell suggested waiting on the publicity until the committee knew what the tree selections would be.

Members discussed asking the Lake City Reporter about publicizing the event the Sunday or Tuesday prior to the event.

Ms. Lane stated Dr. Rodriguez provided her with the contact information for the landscape professor at Florida Gateway College, Bruce Witt. She stated she would contact him about possible interest in the committee.

D. Set-Up

Mr. Henry stated he would ensure set up was accomplished.

E. Tree sources/ Numbers

Ms. Lane suggested purchasing the same amount and types of trees as last year. She stated the committee should have more information at the next meeting regarding the trees.

V. Other Concerns

- A. Available funds
- B. Possible future funding sources
- C. Other

Ms. Lane stated she would get the amount of available funds for the next meeting.

Ms. Lane suggesting contacting Potash in White Springs to see if they would have any interest in participating in the Tree Give-Away.


In honor the 500th anniversary of Ponce de Leon's arrival to Florida, Ms. Frisina suggested the committee may want to consider a special project.

VI. Next meeting date

Members discussed the need to meet closer to the National Arbor Day Tree Give-Away event. Members concurred meet on March 12, 2013 and April 9, 2013 at 4 pm.

VII. Adjournment

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 4:32 pm.


Michele L. Greene, Deputy City Clerk