

# *Revitalization and Beautification Advisory Board*

## *February 22, 2010 Meeting Minutes*

The Revitalization and Beautification Advisory Board held a meeting at 9:00 a.m. on Monday, February 22, 2010. The following members were present: Chairperson Carolyne Hollis, Mr. Gary Pitts, Ms. Joanne Horton, Mr. Robert Hellmich, Ms. Pat Davis, and Mr. Terry Underwood. Absent members: Ms. Bonnie Bodine, Councilmember Quaites, and Ms. Ellen Dean. Also present was Mr. Martin Teem, Ms. Kathy Danielson, Mr. Bill Goodwin, Mr. Dan Hellmich, Mr. David Horton, and Ms. Jessica Nelson, Recording Secretary.

Chairperson Hollis called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m. in the Conference Room at City Hall, Foley, Alabama. This is a regularly scheduled meeting of the Revitalization and Beautification Advisory Board.

Mr. Robert Hellmich made a motion to approve the minutes from the January 21, 2010 meeting. The motion passed unanimously on a second by Mr. Gary Pitts. The minutes were approved as submitted.

### **COMMUNICATIONS**

#### Administrative

Ms. Jessica Nelson reported on the items discussed at the last Council Meeting. Welcome signs were approved pending the individual location approval. The Revitalization and Beautification Advisory Board will have to find locations and get consent from the landowner before the signs can be ordered. Mr. Robert Hellmich said he would find a location east of town on Hwy 98. He suggested Doc Irwin or Springsteen property.

Mr. Robert Hellmich reported that he attended the last Council work session to discuss Christmas Pole Decorations. He presented the Board's request for 23 decorations, one for each newly painted black pole. The Board was polled via telephone before the Council Meeting. Mr. Gary Pitts made a motion to memorialize the vote to request 23 pole decorations. The motion passed unanimously on a second by Mr. Terry Underwood. Council approved the purchase of 23 poles. Jessica Nelson will order them.

### **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

#### Arbor Day

Mrs. Joanne Horton reported that the ceremony would be in the Civic Center at 10 AM. She reported that there were three entries in the poster contest. She sent the winning poster to the state contest and finalized the program. Mr. Terry Underwood suggested that a Sugar Maple be given out next year.

### **OLD BUSINESS**

None

### **NEW BUSINESS**

Mrs. Carolyne Hollis said she would like to form a committee to work on directional signage for downtown businesses. She said she would chair the committee and have Mr.

Bill Goodwin, Mrs. Joanne Horton, Mrs. Pat Davis and Mrs. Bonnie Bodine serve on the committee.

The next Board meeting is scheduled for Thursday, February 18, 2010, at 9:00 a.m. in the Conference Room at City Hall.

There being no further business to come before the Board, the Revitalization and Beautification Advisory Board meeting was adjourned at 10:00 a.m. by Mrs. Carolyne Hollis.

### **Seasonal Plantings Committee Meeting**

Mr. Gary Pitts called a Seasonal Plantings Committee meeting to order at 10:00 a.m. in the Conference Room at City Hall.

Those present: Mr. Bill Goodwin, Mrs. Carolyne Hollis, Mr. Gary Pitts, Mr. David Horton, Mr. Terry Underwood, and Recording Secretary Jessica Nelson.

There was discussion on the budget. There was consensus that the FY10-11 budget needs to be at least \$30,000-35,000. With the current budget, only two plantings are possible each year. They need extra in the budget so they can recover if something goes wrong. The “snapshot” they are using has cut back on weed maintenance.

Ideally, the Committee feels there should be three change outs each year. They would also like to see the labor budget increased as the planting budget is increased.

The next change out will be around April 15 and will take two weeks to complete. The following change out will be October/November. Those plants will need to be ordered June/July.

Mr. Terry Underwood noted that Foster Holly is tall and beautiful and might make a nice addition.

With no further business to discuss, Mr. Gary Pitts adjourned the Seasonal Plantings Committee meeting at 10:45 a.m.

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Jessica Nelson, Recording Secretary