



## *City of Miami Springs, Florida*

The Board of Parks and Parkways held a regular meeting on Wednesday, April 8, 2015, 2014 at 7:00 p.m. in the City Hall Council Chambers.

### 1. Call to Order/ Roll Call

The meeting was called to order at 7:05 p.m.

The following were present:

Chairman Eric Richey
Lynne V. Brooks
Tammy K. Johnston
Irene Priess
Lee Fisher

Also Present: Board Secretary Elora R. Sakal

### 2. Approval of Minutes

Minutes of the January 7, 2015 meeting were approved as written.

Board member Priess moved to approve the minutes. Board member Brooks seconded the motion which was carried unanimously on voice vote.

### 3. New Business:

Chair Richey introduced Board member Lee Fisher to the Board and gave an explanation of the Boards purpose.

Chair Richey reported on the Geiger Memorial. They have been able to raise \$17,049 for the renovation of the memorial. The Marine Corporation Aviation Association may be assisting in the purchase of a new top lighted flag pole.

#### a) Yard of the Month Inquiry - Women's Club

Chair Richey mentioned that Nancy Voye sent in a letter for the Board to ask for recognition for their landscaping. Recognition has been done in the past for Harvest Moon. He believes it is best to have a dual Yard of the Month for the month of May.

The Board agreed that the Yard of the Month sign may be best on the corner of the property so that it is visible from all sides.

Board member Brooks moved to approve the Women's Club as the May Yard of the Month. Board member Fisher seconded the motion which was carried unanimously by voice vote. Board member Priess abstained from voting since she is a member of the Women's Club.

Board member Johnston commented that the Board should have some type of identification when they go to visit the homes for the yard of the month for safety purposes for themselves and the residents.

Chair Richey asked that Board Secretary Sakal inquire to see if something simple and inexpensive can be done for the identification of the Board.

b) May - Yard of the Month nomination

By consensus, the Board agreed to nominate 660 Nightingale Avenue as the May, 2015 yard of the month.

c) June - Yard of the Month nomination

By consensus, the Board agreed to nominate 364 Navarre Drive as the June, 2015 yard of the month.

d) July - Yard of the Month nomination

By consensus, the Board agreed to nominate 1251 Quail Avenue as the July, 2015 yard of the month.

e) August - Yard of the Month nomination

By consensus, the Board agreed to nominate 72 Pinecrest Drive as the August, 2015 yard of the month.

f) Acceptance of the Urban and Community Forestry grant application

Chair Richey explained that the Board has done this in the past. It is a computer program that counts the tree inventory in the City. It is very valuable because it gives details about how many trees the City has and what kind of trees the City has. It is a great program and would be beneficial to our City.

Board member Priess explained that when the original tree inventory was done, staff would drive around the City and write down each tree, how many there were and where they were located. Because the City had that inventory, after a hurricane, the City was able to receive FEMA funds because there were records of all of the trees in the City.

Board member Brooks stated that if and when there is another hurricane, this grant would be instrumental to our City.

Board member Priess made a motion to support the Urban and Community Forestry grant application. Board member Johnston seconded the motion which carried unanimously on voice vote.

4. Other Business:

Chair Richey mentioned that one of the Phoenix Roebelenii's across the street from Ray's Tae Kwon Do is not looking well. He suggested the Public Works Director Nash fertilize that area.

5. Adjournment:

There was no further business to be discussed and the meeting was adjourned at 7:32 p.m.

Respectfully submitted:



Elora R. Sakal  
Board Secretary

Adopted by the Board on  
this 12<sup>th</sup> day of August, 2015.



Eric Richey, Chair

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