

City of Miami Springs, Florida

The Board of Parks and Parkways held a regular meeting on Wednesday, January 4, 2017 at 7:00 p.m. in the City Hall Council Chambers.

1. Call to Order/ Roll Call

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m.

The following were present:

Chairman Eric Richey

Lynne V. Brooks Tammy K. Johnston

Irene Priess Lee Fisher

Also Present:

Board Secretary, Juan D. Garcia

2. Approval of Minutes

Minutes of the September 14, 2016 meeting were approved as written.

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

Chair Richey wanted the records to reflect the Board's happiness over the nuptials of Board Secretary Elora Sakal.

3. New Business:

a) Coral rock wall renovation discussion

Chair Richey informed the Board that there have not been any new updates regarding the rock wall renovation project from Public Works. He added that the funds were approved but does not think that work on this project has started. The coral rock walls are located on Morningside Drive, from Palmetto Drive to Minola Drive.

Discussion ensued regarding the historical value of the coral rock wall and if they were historically designated.

b) Yard of the Month - February, 2017

By consensus, the Board agreed to recommend 460 N. Esplanade Drive as the February, 2017 yard of the month.

c) Yard of the Month – March, 2017

By consensus, the Board agreed to recommend 1001 Dove Avenue as the March, 2017 yard of the month

4. Other Business:

Board member Fisher informed the Board that the Lion's Club was renovating their property located on 301 Swallow Drive. As part of the renovations, the Lion's Club will be planting new flowers and plants in the front of the property. Board member Fisher asked if there was any precedent on nominating nonresidential properties as a yard of the month, as he would like to consider the Lion's Club property for a future nomination of the yard of the month.

Chair Richey responded that there is a precedent nominating nonresidential property since they have nominated the Miami Springs Women's Club for the yard of the month in the past.

Board member Brooks commented that a resident came up to her with concerns over other residents removing trees in the swale areas of properties and not replanting trees in their place. Board member Brooks asked who would be the person to contact to make sure the "tree removal" ordinance is being enforced.

Chair Richey informed the Board that if tree removals are being done without the permission of the City to contact Public Works Director Tom Nash with as much information as possible. Chair Richey explained that there are many residents that need to remove certain trees because they are damaging some areas of the homeowner's property, but that there is a procedure in place for removing trees that needs to be followed.

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5. Adjournment:

There was no further business to be discussed and the meeting was adjourned at 7:17 p.m.

Respectfully submitted:

Juan D. Garcia Board Secretary

Adopted by the Board on this 1st day of February, 2017.

Eric Richey, Chair

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