# *City of Miami Springs, Florida*

The **Ecology Board** met in Regular Session at 6:00 p.m., on Thursday, September 9, 2021 in the Council Chambers at City Hall.

## 1) Call to Order/Roll Call

The meeting was called to order at 6:00 P.M.

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| The following were present: | Board member Maria Font<br>Board member Jen Llerena<br>Board member Katie Ortiz<br>Chair Wendy Anderson-Booher |
| Absent: | Vice Chair James Steele |
| Also present: | Board Secretary, Mayra Aleman |

## 2) Approval of Minutes of Regular Meeting

The minutes of the April 8, 2021 meeting were approved as written.

**Board Member Llerena motioned to approve the minutes from April 8, 2021. Board Member Font seconded the motion, which was carried unanimously on voice vote 4-0.**

## 3) Old Business

A. Discussion on Integrated Pest Management

Board Secretary Aleman provided the Board members with a copy of an email from the Administrative Assistant of Public Workers stating that the City does not use any type of pest control. The Board members were happy to hear the good news.

B. Discussion on How to Share Tips for Home Gardening

Board member Lorena spoke on a non-profit organization called Bound by beauty. The non-profit organization's website is an excellent resource for learning how to get started on an eco-friendly home garden.

**Board Member Llerena motioned to share the get started link from bound by beauty on the City's social media outlets. Board Member Font seconded the motion, which passed unanimously 4-0 on rollcall vote. The rollcall vote was as follows: Board member Llerena, Board member Font, Board member Ortiz, and Chair Anderson-Booher voted YES.**

## 4) New Business

A) Discussion on How to Share Tips on What Not to Recycle

Board member Font stated that the tips on what not to recycle would be a social media post with 4/5 images of non-recyclable items. The Board members requested that board Secretary Aleman email them the powerpoint from the county to get a better idea of which images they wanted to use.

**As a consensus of the Board, they have deferred this item to the next Board meeting.**

## 5) Preparation of the agenda for the next meeting – November 18, 2021

Board Member Font inquired if something like spay and neutering cats and dogs would fall under the Ecology Board. Board Member Font would like to partner with a company that would bring these services to the City. Board Secretary Aleman advised the Board that this topic would have to be approved by the City Manager first before being added to the next meeting agenda. The Board unanimously agreed on Tips on What Not to Recycle for the next agenda, with the addition of Tips on How to Invite Migratory Birds to Your Yard.

Board Secretary Aleman stated that the City Council would like a yearly update on the Board. Chair Anderson-Booher agreed to update the City Council on Monday, September 27th, 2021. Board Secretary Aleman also welcomed Board member Ortiz to the Ecology Board.

## 6) Adjournment

There was no further business to be discussed and the meeting was adjourned at 6:18 P.M

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Respectfully submitted:

Mayra Aleman
Board Secretary

Adopted by the Board on
this 9 day of NOV., 2021.

Wendy Anderson-Booher
Chair

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