

**MINUTES OF THE TOWN OF LADY LAKE
TREE AND BEAUTIFICATION ADVISORY COMMITTEE
LADY LAKE, FLORIDA**

**March 14, 2014
5:30 p.m.**

The Tree and Beautification Advisory Committee Meeting was held in the Town Hall Commission Chambers at 409 Fennell Blvd., Lady Lake, Florida.

CALL TO ORDER:

Chairperson/Member Turlo called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m.

A. ROLL CALL: Doris Turlo, Chairperson/Member
Chryle Lowery, Vice Chairperson/Member
Arthur Edelson, Member

STAFF MEMBERS PRESENT: Mike Burske, Parks and Recreation Director; Kris Kollgaard, Town Manager; and Nancy Slaton, Deputy Town Clerk

B. OPEN FORUM:

Chairperson Doris Turlo asked if there were any questions or comments. There were no questions or comments.

C. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES:

December 3, 2013 Special Tree and Beautification Advisory Committee Meeting

Upon a motion by Vice Chair/Member Lowery and a second by Member Edelson, the Tree and Beautification Advisory Committee approved the minutes of the special meeting held on December 3, 2013, by a vote of 3 to 0.

D. NEW BUSINESS:

1. Review Regarding Combining the Parks and Recreation Advisory Board and the Tree and Beautification Advisory Committee to Make One Board (Mike Burske)

Parks and Recreation Director Mike Burske read the background summary for this agenda item. He stated that the Town is planning to combine the Parks and Recreation Advisory Board and the Tree and Beautification Advisory Committee. The Parks and Recreation Director prepares the agendas for both boards, and in many cases, one issue will go to both boards. Mr. Burske stated that in order to streamline the boards, the Town will include all current and active members from both boards on the new Parks and Recreation/Tree Board. He stated the new board may have up to seven members at first, but will eventually be reduced to five members with attrition. If a Board member wants to remain on the Board once their term expires, it will go before the Town Commission for their vote on reappointment to the Board.

Chairperson Turlo stated that she feels this is a good idea, and will save everyone time by combining the boards.

Vice Chair/Member Lowery asked Mr. Burske how many members are currently on the Parks and Recreation Advisory Board.

Mr. Burske replied that there are currently four members on that board.

Town Manager Kris Kollgaard stated that staff will have a meeting with both boards together next month. She stated the members will be able to review the new ordinance for the combined boards and they will have training on what is expected from the combined board. Ms. Kollgaard stated that there have not been very many meetings for either board this past year, and with the boards combined, a monthly meeting should be held.

Chairperson Turlo stated that combining the boards should save a step.

Vice Chair/Member Lowery stated that it should also save the Town money, and that she is on board with the change.

Member Edelson stated that combining the boards should streamline efforts.

Ms. Kollgaard stated that the Parks and Recreation Board currently meet on Wednesday and this board meets on Tuesday. She asked if the members would be able to meet on Wednesday.

Chairperson Turlo asked what time the meeting would be held on Wednesday, and which Wednesday of the month it would be.

Ms. Kollgaard replied that it would be on the second Wednesday of the month at 5:30 p.m.

Chairperson Turlo stated that it would be better for her.

Vice Chair/Member Lowery stated it will work for her.

Member Edelson stated it will also work for him, and that it sounds like a good idea.

Ms. Kollgaard confirmed that the meetings will be held on the second Wednesday of each month at 5:30 p.m.

E. Chairperson/Members' Report:

Mr. Burske reported that the Town's Easter Egg Hunt will be held on April 12, 2014 at 10 a.m. at the Guava Street Junior Field. He reported that the Town will be holding its Arbor Day Celebration on April 25, 2014 at 10 a.m. in front of the museum at the Log Cabin Park. He stated the theme this year will be the celebration of citrus in the area and an orange tree will be planted. Mr. Burske stated the museum currently has a display of a lot of different items on the history of the citrus industry. He stated they are hoping for a donation of an orange tree from the Lions Club.

Chairperson Turlo commented that the Lions Club tree planting initiative has resulted in over 20,000,000 trees being planted around the world in the last two years.

Mr. Burske stated he has the Lions Club on the agenda for the Arbor Day Celebration, and he asked Ms. Turlo if she could confirm that. He stated the orange tree should cost about \$50.00.

Chairperson Turlo stated she will email the Lions Club president and they will talk about it at their meeting this coming Wednesday.

Mr. Burske stated that he is planning to hold the Taste of Lady Lake on Friday, May 23, 2014 at 4:30 p.m., although it still has to be approved by the Town Commission. He stated that Beautiful Bobby Blackman, a wonderful jazz musician who played at last year's event, is scheduled to appear again this year.

Vice Chair Lowery commented that Lady Lake puts on some wonderful events, and she stated that Mr. Burske, the Town Manager and staff do an awesome job.

Ms. Kollgaard stated that staff enjoys the work and that the volunteer members of the Boards do not realize how much help they are to the Town and the Town really appreciates them.

F. Adjourn:

With no further questions or comments, and with a motion by Member Edelson and a second by Vice Chair/Member Lowery, the meeting was adjourned at 5:43 p.m.

Julia Wolfe
Staff Assistant to Town Clerk

Doris Turlo, Chairperson

Minutes transcribed by Nancy Slaton, Deputy Town Clerk