

**THE CITY OF WINTER PARK
KEEP WINTER PARK BEAUTIFUL AND SUSTAINABLE**

Regular Meeting
City Hall, 401 Park Ave. S.

May 16, 2017
11:46am

MINUTES

Present: Bruce Thomas, Sally Miller, Ellen Wolfson, Mary Dipboye, Stephen Pategas, Ben Ellis

Absent:

City of Winter Park Staff: Kris Stenger, Building and Sustainability Manager; Vanessa Balta Cook, Building & Sustainability Planner

Guests: Pat Schoknecht; Deidre MacNab; David Bottomley, League of Women Voters of Florida

CALL TO ORDER: Ch. Thomas called the meeting to order at 11:46 a.m.

1. ADMINISTRATIVE ITEMS

Approval of Minutes

Ellen W. made a motion to approve April 18, 2017 minutes. Mary D. seconded the motion. Minutes were approved as presented.

Citizen Comments:

David Bottomley mentioned the Storm Drain Labeling Program by Orange County Environmental Protection Division. Labels are available, say “No Dumping: Only Rain in the Drain,” has a turtle on it. Potential volunteer activity.

Staff Report:

Staff report was emailed to board members. Vanessa B.C. introduced herself to the board. Staff provided a recap of Don’t Pitch It Fix It event. Staff provided updates on current efforts to replace styrofoam containers at Westminster Winter Park Retirement Community and upcoming “Central Florida Battle of the Buildings” competition. Hazardous Waste Event Frequency, RFID system and comingling issue mentioned by Mary D., and 1-1-1 Collection was also discussed.

2. ACTION

3. INFORMATIONAL

a. Green Minute

Mary-100th solar coop through community power network will start in Seminole County Press Conference this Thursday, 3 months to join, FLSun.org.

Kris-Described ScrapExchange in Durham, NC

Bruce-asked about undergrounding status.

Stephen-City Code Enforcement will be presenting at an upcoming Winter Park Blooms meeting.

Group discussed possibility of canceling one of the summer meeting dates or doing the tour.

b. KWPB – Status Report KWPB&S

Stephen P. provided a recap of America in Bloom (AIB) judging, participants, sponsorship, promotion, logistics, and caladium sales. Potential of providing extra caladiums to Green School

Grant Recipients and/or AIB participants was discussed. Also reviewed some of the AIB judges' recommendations (e.g., entry signs need for color/landscaping, signage on Park Ave., murals, branding of trash containers, columns, bike signage, community profile should highlight new items each year). Also mentioned merchants' container contest, caladium photo contest, and volunteer appreciation event. Discussed caladium sales money being used for projects related to AIB recommendations. Volunteer event to scrape soil off from trees where City picks up the excess soil was also discussed (have support by Forestry and Parks Departments). Can use existing volunteers, Rollins Summer Serve program might be an option.

c. **Sustainability Action Plan**

none

d. **Finance**

Final invoices for Earth Day are being processed.

e. **FL SUN**

Deidre Macnab of the League of Women Voters of Florida presented on Florida Solar United Neighborhoods (FL SUN)/solar co-ops. Topics included FL's solar potential, residential and commercial right to solar, net metering requirement, Amendment 4, increasing interest in solar public information sessions, program partners (e.g., cities, counties, non-profit organizations, faith-based organizations), decreasing costs of solar, and existing support mechanisms (e.g., PACE). Seeking out venues and/or promotion for solar public information sessions. Discussion topics included cost of batteries, cost of roof replacement, Tesla's shingles, City setting a renewable energy target, need for Utilities Advisory Board involvement, and Orlando joining "Ready for 100" campaign. The City's recent efforts by Buildings and Public Works increasing solar and upcoming related RFPs was also discussed.

4. NEW BUSINESS

- a. **Agenda Requests/Announcements/Action Items:** The board requests staff provide city building performance data report, status update on waste containers tracking system, and status update on undergrounding for next meeting. The board requests the tour of the Swoope Water Treatment Facility be a workshop, Vanessa B.C. will send out doodle poll.

5. ADJOURNMENT

a. Action Items

b. Evaluate Meeting

- What worked:
- What didn't work:

Stephen P. made a motion to adjourn at 1:14 p.m., seconded by Ellen W. Next meeting June 20, 11:45am at City Hall.

Respectfully submitted,

Vanessa A. Balta Cook
Recording Secretary