



Keep Winter Park Beautiful and Sustainable Advisory Board

Minutes

August 20, 2019 at 11:45 a.m.

City Hall | Chapman Room
401 S. Park Ave. | Winter Park, Florida

Present

KWPB&S Advisory Board Members: Carey Bond, David Daly (phone), Mary Dipboye, Ben Ellis, Nora Miller, Stephen Pategas, Bruce Thomas, Ellen Wolfson

City of Winter Park Staff: David Zusi, Water & Wastewater Utility Director; Kris Stenger, Building & Sustainability Manager; Vanessa Balta Cook, Building & Sustainability Planner; Agnieszka Tarnawska, Building & Sustainability Assistant

Guests: Tiffany Trapasso, Alex and Ani; WP Commissioner Todd Weaver; Jody Lazar, WP Library

Absent

None.

Meeting called to order

Chair Ben Ellis called the meeting to order at 11:47 a.m.

1. ADMINISTRATIVE ITEMS

Green Business Recognition

Chair Ben E. and board welcomed Alex and Ani Park Avenue store manager Tiffany Trapasso. Tiffany was presented with a certificate of recognition and window decal for the store's Bronze-Level achievement in the Winter Park Green Business Recognition Program. They are the first bronze-level recognized business under the program.

Approval of minutes

Motion made by Vice Chair Ellen W. to approve July 16, 2019 minutes. Carey B. seconded the motion. Minutes were approved as presented.

Citizen Comments

Jody L. mentioned the upcoming Don't Pitch It, Fix It! Community Repair Workshop on Tuesday September 7th from 1pm-4pm being held at the Winter Park Community Center. Jody also mentioned the Planning Department's upcoming Orange Avenue Overlay Steering Committee Walkshop Work Session being held August 20th at 4pm, meeting at Foxtail Coffee. Chair Ben E. provided a brief overview of his role in the Orange Avenue Steering Committee and what the committee has been working on over the last couple months.

Staff Report

Staff report was emailed to board members. Kris S. reported discussions with Parks and Recreation Department on the reduction of single use plastic items in city-run facilities are ongoing and overall reception has been good, will be looking at policies related to Special Event permitting; solar placement on Water Treatment Plant

coming soon. Vanessa B.C. provided rejection report for the past year, data provided by Waste Management (Orange County Transfer Station). Vanessa also reviewed advertising price comparisons. David Z. added that Water & Wastewater Utility would be able to assist with cost of one utility insert ad. Kris S. also mentioned that the Sustainability Program has several weekend events in October and November and requested board participation. Vanessa B.C. will be sending out google sheet with shifts that need filling.

2. ACTIONS TAKEN

None.

3. INFORMATIONAL

Water and Wastewater Utility Update

David Zusi, Water and Wastewater Utility Director, provided an overview of the Utility's current water conservation efforts such as switching from potable water sources (higher quality water) to surface waters or shallow wells (lower quality water) for irrigation-targeting high water users and encouraging usage of stormwater reuse or use of other lower quality water for irrigation-targeting new businesses. City has seen significant reductions in local government operations' total potable water usage due to these kind of efforts and a relatively flat trend in communitywide total potable water usage. David noted that a significant portion of Utility's service area (nearly 2/3) serves residential and commercial clients beyond the Winter Park city boundary. These unincorporated areas are likely to experience increased development in the short- and long-term, potentially impacting the Utility's overall capacity to provide potable water from aquifers. About 40% of total potable water usage is being used for irrigation. Discussion also included topics such as water conservation rebates currently available (high efficiency washing machine, low-flow flush toilet, smart irrigation controller), reclaimed water, water conservation PT/FT position vacancy, potential rebates (e.g., high-efficiency pre-rinse spray nozzle), highlighting water usage in utility bill and reclaimed water system. David also provided a brief overview of septic tank presentation he recently presented to the commission.

Green Minute

Bruce T. shared that Petco offers a bucket reuse/refill program for cat litter.

Winter Park Blooms Committee

Stephen P. reminded board of Caladium Photo Contest, deadline to submit entries is Friday August 30. Rules and Application is available at cityofwinterpark.org/caladiumphotocontest. Stephen also provided a quick overview of America In Bloom Auction Items and thanked everyone for their support. Stephen P. also asked Kris S. for an update on city administration reorganization in regard to landscape ordinance evaluation/update.

Sustainability Action Plan

SAP PRIORITIES

BEW-5: Residential Potable Water Average Annual Usage

CEGE-2: Recognized Green Businesses

WDR-1: Waste Diverted from Landfill

Finance

None.

4. NEW BUSINESS

Agenda Requests/Announcements/Action Items

Mary D. requested that the board discuss setting short-term goals for SAP priorities during the upcoming meeting.

5. ADJOURNMENT

Action Items

Nora M. made a motion to adjourn at 1:05 p.m., seconded by Mary D. Next meeting Tuesday, September 17, 2019.

Evaluate Meeting

What Worked/What Didn't Work:

Respectfully submitted,

Vanessa Balta Cook
Recording Secretary