



AGENDA
SOUTHERN BEAUFORT COUNTY
CORRIDOR BEAUTIFICATION BOARD
Thursday, May 7, 2015
2:00 p.m.
Hilton Head Island Library
11 Beach City Rd., Hilton Head Island, SC
Contact: 843.255.2140

Members:

Stephen Wilson (Council District 11), Chairman
Glenn Stanford (Council District 8), Vice-Chairman
Douglas Novak (Council District 9), Secretary
Sallie Bridgewater (Council District 6)
Henry Deirxsens (Council District 5)
C.J. Humphrey (Council District 10)
Tray Hunter (Council District 7)
Andy Miller (Town of Bluffton)
Todd Theodore (Town of Hilton Head)

Staff Support:

Anthony Criscitiello, Planning Division-Director
Amanda Flake, Natural Resources Planner

1. CALL TO ORDER AND WELCOME, 2:00 p.m. (Wilson)
2. REVIEW AND ADOPTION OF APRIL 2, 2015 MEETING MINUTES ([backup](#)) (Wilson)
3. UPDATE ON REQUEST FOR RESERVATION OF \$100,000 FROM THE BEAUFORT COUNTY TREE REFORESTATION FUND (Criscitiello/Coppage)
4. REVIEW AND DISCUSSION OF CHAIRMAN'S APRIL 28TH EMAIL TO DEPUTY COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR JOSH GRUBER (Wilson)
5. REVIEW OF PRESENTATION TO NATURAL RESOURCES COMMITTEE AND DISCUSSION OF A-TAX FUNDING OPTIONS (Stanford)
6. STATUS OF BELFAIR PROJECT AND EVENT (Criscitiello/Nelson)
7. TANGER UPDATE (Criscitiello/Coppage)
8. JAZZ DEVELOPMENT UPDATE/PROVISIONS FOR MEDIAN(S) LANDSCAPING (Criscitiello)
9. BEAUTIFICATION BOARD/COUNTY GOVERNMENT LIASION UPDATE (Stanford)
10. REPORT BY BOARD MEMBERS OF ANY CONTACT OR DISCUSSIONS WITH THEIR APPOINTING COUNTY COUNCIL MEMBER (Wilson)
11. OTHER BUSINESS: Next Meeting – Thursday, June 4, 2015, at 2:00 p.m. at Hilton Head Island Library
12. ADJOURNMENT (Wilson)

SOUTHERN BEAUFORT COUNTY CORRIDOR BEAUTIFICATION BOARD

The Southern Beaufort County Corridor Beautification Board (herein after known as the Board) was held on April 2, 2015 at the Hilton Head Island Library Conference Room at 2:00 p.m.

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Mr. Steve Wilson (Chairman)
Mr. Doug Novak (Secretary)
Mr. Henry Diercxsens

Ms. Sallie Bridgwater
Ms. C.J. Humphrey

MEMBERS ABSENT:

Mr. Glenn Stanford (Vice-Chairman)
Mr. Tray Hunter
Mr. Andy Miller
Mr. Todd Theodore

STAFF PRESENT:

Mr. Tony Criscitiello, Beaufort County Planning Director
Ms. Amanda Flake, Beaufort County Natural Resources Planner
Ms. Allison Coppage, Beaufort County Assistant Attorney

GUESTS PRESENT:

Mr. Jim Tiller, JK Tiller and Associates
Ms. Cynthia Bensch, County Councilwoman
Mr. Joe Croley, HH Association of Realtors
Ms. Joy Nelson, Beaufort County Media Relations/FOIA Specialist

CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Steve Wilson called the meeting to order at 2:03 p.m.

REVIEW OF MINUTES

Chairman Wilson asked if there were any changes to the Minutes from the March 5, 2015, Board meeting and there was one; Mr. Doug Novak was not present at the meeting. Mr. Novak made a motion and Mr. Diercxsens seconded the motion to accept the amended Minutes from the March 5, 2015 Board meeting. **The motion was carried unanimously to accept the amended Minutes from the March 5, 2015, Board meeting** (FOR: Bridgwater, Diercxsens, Humphrey, Novak, Wilson).

GENERAL DISCUSSION

ATAX Explanation and Recommendation

Ms. Allison Coppage gave a presentation about the two different types of Atax funds that are available within Beaufort County. The first fund is the 2% State Atax. This fund is distributed by a board that meets annually. There are eight requirements on how to distribute the funds and the money has to be spent within two years. Typically applications for this fund are due in August and the board usually awards the funds by September. The second fund is the 3% Local Atax. This fund is distributed by Beaufort County Council. There are seven requirements on how to distribute the funds and applications can be made throughout the year. Ms. Coppage gave a recommendation that this Board apply for the 2% State Atax and have the next project (besides Belfair and Tanger) identified. Chairman Steve Wilson stated that this Board has identified its' main project to be landscaping and maintenance of all ten miles of Highway 278 medians. Since some of the Board members were not present, the rest of the Board members decided to wait until next month's meeting to make a decision on which Atax fund to apply for.

Belfair Update

Mr. Jim Tiller talked to Mr. Joe Bryant with Belfair and he said that due to The Heritage they are postponing the start of the planting project a week or two. Therefore the Belfair medians should be planted by mid-May. Ms. Coppage stated that Beaufort County did receive a waiver from SCDOT to not have lane closures. The Board suggested that the Chairman write a letter to Belfair to keep them motivated to finish by mid-May. Chairman Wilson brought up a question about who is keeping track of making sure the money that Belfair owes the Beaufort County Tree Reforestation Fund is paid in full? Mr. Tony Criscitiello stated that there is a letter from the Development Review Team (DRT) that states exactly how much is owed into the Tree Reforestation Fund. A review of this letter will be done at the next Board meeting.

Tanger Update

Ms. Coppage stated the Mr. Nester still has the MOU and is waiting for it to be signed by Tanger management. The SCDOT encroachment permits have been received and are waiting to be signed by the Beaufort County Administrator. Then the permits and the maintenance agreement will be sent back to SCDOT for approval.

Introduction of Joy Nelson

Mr. Joy Nelson introduced herself as the Beaufort County Media Relations/FOIA Specialist. She primarily does the public relations work for Beaufort County through the newspapers, TV, and radio. She is willing to help educate the public about this Board, especially through the County Channel. Chairman Wilson had a meeting with her to talk about setting up media event to document the first project of this Board being accomplished. She had planned on calling Mr. Joe Bryant with Belfair to set up a date for a ceremony once the Belfair medians are planted. This will hopefully keep Belfair on track with finishing the project in a timely manner.

Jazz Development Update

Mr. Criscitiello stated that the developer of Jazz Development is currently going through plan review with the Beaufort County Planning Staff. They have applied for state permits that should

be issued within the month. At that time, they will be able to start building the project and this should kick in the requirement of the permit to plant landscaping on Highway 46.

Tree Reforestation Fund Status

Mr. Criscitiello stated that the current balance of the Tree Reforestation Fund is \$218,740.00. He said to keep in mind that the fund is to be used for tree reforestation, not necessarily shrubs or other vegetation. An update on this fund will be discussed at the next Board meeting.

County Council Districts

Ms. Amanda Flake distributed maps and a list of each County Council member and their district. Chairman Wilson asked that each Board member get to know their County Council member and help educate them about the goals of this Board.

Miscellaneous

Chairman Wilson and Vice-Chairman Glenn Stanford attended the Town of Bluffton Beautification Committee Meeting and made a presentation about this Board. It was well received and the Town is willing to work with this Board on future projects.

Chairman Wilson and Vice-Chairman Stanford will be presenting about this Board at the Natural Resources Committee meeting on Monday, April 6, 2015 at the Beaufort County Administration Building in the Executive Conference Room at 2:00 p.m. Chairman Wilson asked for Board members to attend, if their schedule permits, for support.

ADJOURNMENT

With no further business, Chairman Wilson entertained a motion at 3:43 p.m. from Ms. Bridgwater, and seconded by Ms. Humphrey, to adjourn the meeting. The motion was approved unanimously (FOR: Bridgwater, Diercxsens, Humphrey, Novak, Wilson).

Submitted by: Amanda Flake, Natural Resources Planner

Approved:

Steve Wilson, Chairman,
Southern Beaufort County Corridor Beautification Board

Date: _____