



AGENDA  
SOUTHERN BEAUFORT COUNTY  
CORRIDOR BEAUTIFICATION BOARD  
Thursday, August 6, 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 Bridgwater (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 JUNE 16, 2015 MEETING MINUTES ([backup](#)) (Wilson)
3. BELFAIR DISCUSSION (INCLUDING TREE REFORESTATION OBLIGATION TO BEAUFORT COUNTY AND MAINTENANCE OF PLANTS) (Coppage/Criscitiello)
4. TANGER UPDATE (Coppage)
5. TREE REFORESTATION MONEY USAGE FOR PROJECTS/COUNTY COUNCIL FINANCE COMMITTEE MEETING, MONDAY, AUGUST 17, 2015 (Criscitiello)
6. ATAX APPLICATION (Wilson)
7. ADOPTION OF BOARD PROCEDURES (Novak)
8. ONE CENT SALES TAX DISCUSSION (Wilson)
9. DISCUSSION OF FUTURE PROJECTS AND ITEMS PERTINANT TO HWY 278 MEDIANS (Wilson)
10. OTHER BUSINESS: Next Meeting – Thursday, September 3, 2015, at 2:00 p.m. at Hilton Head Island Library
11. ADJOURNMENT (Wilson)

# **SOUTHERN BEAUFORT COUNTY CORRIDOR BEAUTIFICATION BOARD**

The Southern Beaufort County Corridor Beautification Board (herein after known as the Board) was held on June 16, 2015 at the Hilton Head Island Library Conference Room at 2:00 p.m.

## **MEMBERS PRESENT:**

Mr. Steve Wilson (Chairman)	Ms. Sallie Bridgwater
Mr. Glenn Stanford (Vice-Chairman)	Ms. C.J. Humphrey
Mr. Doug Novak (Secretary)	Mr. Todd Theodore
Mr. Henry Diercxsens	

## **MEMBERS ABSENT:**

Mr. Tray Hunter  
Mr. Andy Miller

## **STAFF PRESENT:**

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, Beaufort County Councilwoman  
Ms. Hannah Horne, Hilton Head/Bluffton Chamber of Commerce

## **CALL TO ORDER**

Chairman Steve Wilson called the meeting to order at 2:05 p.m.

## **REVIEW OF MINUTES**

Since there was not a quorum at the last meeting there were no minutes to approve.

## **GENERAL DISCUSSION**

### **Belfair**

Mr. Jim Tiller did some research on his end about whether or not Belfair fulfilled their monetary obligation to Beaufort County for the Tree Reforestation Fund. He found that Belfair was obligated to \$104,000.00. Mr. Josh Tiller sent Mr. Joe Bryant, with Belfair, a letter stating that some of the plants installed in the median did not meet the specifications per the approved plan. At that time Mr. Bryant performed a punch list and sent it to Mr. Jim Tiller. According to the list, the crepe myrtles were undersized and they were short 66 loropetalum plants because they ran out of room. Mr. Bryant said that the 66 loropetalum plants would be a credit of \$1,300.00 and they would use that money to fix the drainage problem that had occurred in the median. The plant prices sent to Mr. Tiller were wholesale prices and did not include installation, mulch/pine straw, and watering. Mr. Tiller's best guess was that with these hidden costs, Belfair came close to spending \$104,000.00.

Mr. Tiller also stated that he had a statement, in writing, that Valley Crest would water the plants in the median for 60 days after installation. Chairman Steve Wilson would like for Mr. Tony Criscitiello to talk with Belfair representatives and discuss who will take over the watering of the plants once the 60 days were up. According to the MOU between Belfair and Beaufort County, the plants must be hand watered for one year. Ms. Allison Coppage stated that she and Mr. Criscitiello will make an inquiry about Belfair's obligation, expenditures, and maintenance, and report back to the Board at the next meeting.

#### **A-Tax Discussion**

Ms. Hannah Horne from the Hilton Head/Bluffton Chamber of Commerce spoke to the Board about possibly making an application for the 2% State A-Tax money. She explained that this money was used for tourism related projects and that the application last year was due around November 21<sup>st</sup>. She felt that this Board could make a compelling argument that beautifying highways and entrances to Towns and Cities was tourism related. The state statute requires that the request be made by a 501 c3. Therefore this request would have to be submitted through the "My Medians Matter" 501 c3 and then the money could be funneled to the Board if awarded. She stated that the Board could also apply for the Town of Bluffton A-Tax, which was separate.

#### **Tanger Update**

Ms. Allison Coppage stated that Tanger's landscape bond was good through March 2016. This week she let Tanger representatives know that she called the bond within 45 days. This meant that either Tanger needs to sign the MOU or Beaufort County would get the landscape bond money. If Tanger decided not to sign the MOU, then maintenance of the medians would be the responsibility of Beaufort County.

#### **Adoption of Board Procedures**

Deferred until the next Board meeting.

#### **Discussion of Future Projects**

Deferred until the next Board meeting.

#### **Miscellaneous**

County Council Chairwoman Cynthia Bensch stated that there had been some interest from Colleton River about planting their medians and that someone from this Board should contact them soon.

Chairman Wilson requested a report at the next meeting from Mr. Criscitiello about whether or not some of the Tree Reforestation money could be used to move some of the trees in the Bluffton Parkway median over to the sidewalk area to help with an overcrowding issue.

Chairman Wilson requested a discussion about applying for money from the one cent sales tax and the next Board meeting.

**ADJOURNMENT**

**With no further business, Chairman Wilson entertained a motion at 3:52 p.m. from Ms. Humphrey, and seconded by Mr. Novak, to adjourn the meeting. The motion was approved unanimously (FOR: Bridgwater, Diercxsens, Humphrey, Novak, Stanford, Theodore, Wilson).**

**Submitted by:** Amanda Flake, Natural Resources Planner

**Approved:**

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Steve Wilson, Chairman,  
Southern Beaufort County Corridor Beautification Board

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

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