

Southern Beaufort County Corridor Beautification Board Meeting

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Southern Beaufort County Corridor Beautification Board Meeting Agenda

Thursday, February 17, 2022 at 1:30 p.m. Beaufort County Bluffton Branch Library, Small Meeting Room 120 Palmetto Way, Bluffton, South Carolina 29910

There is limited seating available for the in-person meeting. Attendees must practice 6' social distancing and wearing a face mask is currently optional.

- 1. CALL TO ORDER
- 2. FOIA PUBLIC NOTIFICATION OF THIS MEETING HAS BEEN PUBLISHED, POSTED, AND DISTRIBUTED IN COMPLIANCE WITH THE SOUTH CAROLINA FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT
- 3. APPROVAL OF SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES January 27, 2022
- 4. CITIZEN COMMENTS (In person meeting Comments are limited to 3 minutes. Citizens may email comments to <u>nmoss@bcgov.net</u> by Wednesday, February 16, 2022, in order to be read during the meeting)

DISCUSSION ITEMS

- 5. Special Guests Eric Greenway and Alice Howard to address Board
- 6. OTHER BUSINESS: Next Meeting Thursday, March 17, 2022 at 1:30 p.m. at the Bluffton Library.
- 7. ADJOURNMENT

SOUTHERN BEAUFORT COUNTY CORRIDOR BEAUTIFICATION BOARD

The Southern Beaufort County Corridor Beautification Board (herein after known as the Board) Special Meeting was held at the Beaufort County Bluffton Branch Library located at 120 Palmetto Way, Bluffton, SC 29910 on Thursday, January 27, 2022, at 2:00 p.m.

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Dr. Dennis J. Nielsen, Chairman Ms. Sallie Brach, Vice-Chairman Ms. C. J. Humphrey Mr. Todd Theodore

MEMBERS ABSENT:

None

STAFF PRESENT:

Ms. Nancy R. Moss, Planner

GUESTS PRESENT: None

CALL TO ORDER:

Chairman Nielsen called the meeting to order at 2:00 p.m.

FOIA:

Chairman Nielsen stated that "Public Notification of this meeting has been published, posted, and distributed in compliance with the South Carolina Freedom of Information Act".

REVIEW OF MINUTES:

Chairman Nielsen asked if there were any changes to the Minutes from the December 16, 2021, Board meeting. Hearing none, Mrs. Brach made a motion and Ms. Humphrey seconded the motion to accept the Minutes from the December 16, 2021, Board meeting. The motion was carried unanimously to accept the minutes from the December 16, 2021, Board meeting (FOR: Brach, Humphrey, Nielsen and Theodore).

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Chairman Nielsen asked for public comments, but there were no members from the public in attendance.

GENERAL DISCUSSION

Status of the Budget Submission to Beaufort County Council:

Staff provided each Board member with a complete copy of the budget request. The Board has not received feedback or comments from County Council as of yet, but the Board members were

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hopeful that funding would be provided to complete the Highway 278 landscape beautification project. The Board members stated that their reasoning for adding the wording in the last paragraph in the budget request was to reinforce to the County Council that there has been much positive feedback relayed to the SBCCBB by the pubic and that the landscaping is much appreciated.

Highway 278 Beautification Project Updates:

Staff stated that the landscape maintenance contracts for the Rose Hill to Berkeley Hall and for the Tanger1 to Tanger 2 median segments are currently in effect. In addition, the County has hired a landscape contractor to maintain the Highway 278 medians between Tanger 1 and Westbury Park. Ms. Humphrey requested that staff reach out to the as a reminder to the landscape contractors to have the ornamental grasses trimmed as soon as possible.

Monthly Board Meeting Location and Time:

Mrs. Brach proposed to change the time of the monthly Board meetings because she had a conflict. She asked that the Board consider moving the meeting time back to 1:00 p.m. Mr. Theodore made a motion that the monthly Board meeting take place at 1:30 p.m. and Mrs. Brach seconded the motion. The motion was carried unanimously to approve the motion (FOR: Brach, Humphrey, Nielsen and Theodore).

Staff said that the Bluffton Library would give the Board priority with a reserved meeting room because they are a County Board. Chairman Nielsen stated that the agenda items would determine whether there would be an in-person or a virtual Board meeting in the future. If there were pressing agenda items to discuss, the Board agreed to meet in-person.

Filling Board Vacancies Update:

Staff stated that a volunteer application was submitted from someone interested in serving on the SBCCBB from the 9th District. The County Council must formally vote to approve the applicant before he/she can begin to serve on this Board.

OTHER BUSINESS:

Dr. Nielsen stated that he would attend the February 9th Bluffton Planning Committee meeting and speak with the Town Principle Planner, Charlotte Moore, about the SBCCBB and request their help with the Highway 278 beautification project.

Next Meeting – Thursday, February 17, 2022 at 1:30 p.m. virtually via zoom.

ADJOURNMENT

With no further business, Chairman Nielsen entertained a motion made by Mr. Theodore and seconded by Ms. Humphrey at 2:50 p.m. to adjourn the meeting. The motion was approved unanimously (FOR: Brach, Humphrey, Nielsen and Theodore).