

**Keep Fort Pierce Beautiful Advisory Board
jointly with City Tree Board**

DRAFT MINUTES

1. **Call to Order** – Paul Bertram called the meeting to order at 12:16 PM
2. **Invocation** – Martha Wright gave the invocation.
3. **Pledge of Allegiance** was recited.
4. **Roll Call:**

Board members in attendance: Charlene Adair, Shyanne Helms – Chair, Matt Samuel, Janey Vanderhorst, Shirley Walker, Martha Wright, Jane Zezeck

Absent: Jorge Goz

Staff and Guests: Paul Bertram, Bob Burdge, June Anne DeGraw, Linda Hudson, Nicholas Mimms, Mike Reals, Jose Ruiz, Caleta Scott

Approval of Minutes

- a. Approval of Minutes from the November 13, 2017 meeting

Motion was made by **Matt Samuel**, seconded by **Shirley Walker**, to approve the minutes of the November 13, 2017 meeting. All in favor.
Motion passed.

5. New Business

- a. June Anne DeGraw – Edward Binney Memorial

June Anne gave a brief history of the Sea Scouts program and discussed the current Binney Memorial. Plants have been donated and the area has new lighting, however, it is tucked away and not very visible. She would like to have more done there, like irrigation, and have a rededication. Suggestions included making a path/landscaping the walkway, adding a flagpole, a brick wall with plaque, and adding a crosswalk from the fire station. June Anne continued that the Sea Scouts can volunteer to do some of the work. The group discussed Edward Binney’s contributions to the Fort Pierce. Mayor Hudson added that the Binney family is on board and Crayola/Hallmark may be interested in partnering. Paul Bertram will follow up with June Anne to discuss solutions and bring it back to group.

6. Old Business

- a. Adopt a Pot Program

Paul Bertram stated that the Vero Beach program is run by the Main Street program for 7 – 8 months out of the year. Downtown barbershop business owner, Jose Ruiz, is very interested a pot in front of his salon and has a partner willing to paint it. Paul mentioned that there are no set. Discussion included business owners can do it on their own, a group of sponsors to maintain the plants. Paul recommends to coordinate with both Main Street organizations and suggested that Jose move forward.

b. Peacock Arts District (PAD)

Shyanne provided the PAD boundaries as Moore's Creek to Citrus and Orange to 10th Street. There are pots, banners, enhanced blue rope lighting to distinguish the district. Matt Samuel provided a sample of the 9.5" sanitation covers. He stated that they should be painted with oils and not acrylic paint. Suggestions included creating consistency by working with Main Streets to "package" the program, reaching out to IRSC art program. The PAD committee will be creating plan as of March 1 and will work with First United Methodist Church. Transformer art for the PAD was discussed, Jan Widmeyer states it is not off of the table as she is waiting on funding information.

c. Pedestrian Plaza Art

Matt Samuel stated that a fiberglass replica is not the best option and would not last. A sign/plaque should be placed there – similar to ones admired during October field trip to St. Augustine. The verbiage for the plaque should come first.

d. Great American Cleanup and Arbor Day – March 24, 2018

Shyanne created a flyer to advertise the projects. Discussion included using public buildings as projects, safety concerns with US1 suggestion, and cleaning Indian River Lagoon at the River Walk. Paul will be advertising GAC at the MLK Parade on Jan 16. He would like to invite organizations soon. He would like to have a major recycling push. Janey will pick the committee shirt and there will be 500 shirts ordered. Lunch is planned for 300. At the PAL building, there will be classes, recycling info, pot painting and sign-up. The group discussed the benefit to There will be a press release and proclamation on March 5. Paul requested a bill insert with February bill. Bob Burdge suggested capital improvements at Sunrise Blvd. Consensus was to have Garden Club/Glidden Park Restoration, Causeway Park enhancements, an Edgartown project and graffiti abatement.

7. **Announcements**

Jane Zezeck – There was vandalism at the Garden Center and she is hoping for better communication between the Police Department and Public Works. There was a gaping hole in the facility after.

Paul Bertram stated that KFPB has received Tree City USA grant and we are in good standing.

Tuesday, February 6 at 11:00 AM - KFPB group will use trolley for a community ride-along to look closer at projects and needs.

8. **Adjournment** – The meeting was adjourned at 1:37 PM