

LAKE CITY/COLUMBIA COUNTY BEAUTIFICATION COMMITTEE
January 4, 2010

MINUTES

There was a Special Called meeting of the Lake City/Columbia County Beautification Committee held on January 4, 2010, located at City Hall, located at 205 North Marion Avenue and beginning at 4:00 P.M.

In Attendance: Bettye Lane, Chairman
 Stephen M. Witt, Mayor
 Faye Bowling-Warren, Citizen
 James Montgomery, Citizen
 Nick Harwell, Lake City Director of Customer Service
 Jackie Kite, Lake City Downtown Manager
 Grayson Cason, Lake City Executive Director of Administrative Services
 Antonia Robinson, Lake City Reporter
 Michele Greene, Deputy City Clerk

I. Call to order

Ms. Bettye Lane called the meeting to order at 4:06 P.M.

II. Florida Arbor Day

- A. Date
- B. Time
- C. Planted tree site

Ms. Lane reported the date of the 2010 Florida Arbor Day would need to be changed. Mr. Montgomery added the McDuffie family will be unavailable on January 15, 2010. **Mr. Montgomery made a motion to hold the 2010 Florida Arbor Day on Friday, January 22, 2010 at 11 AM in Olustee Park. Ms. Bowling Warren seconded the motion and the motion passed on a voice vote.**

Mr. Harwell stated he would reserve Olustee Park for the new date. Ms. Lane stated she would make contact with Dr. Rodriguez to ensure he would still be available. Mr. Montgomery stated Mr. Sam Oosterhoudt would be willing to donate a tree. He also stated he spoke with Clint Pittman and Mr. Pittman stated he could use additional oak trees at the Southside Recreational Complex. **Members concurred to plant a Live Oak at the Southside Recreation Complex.**

III. Program

- A. Events
- B. Participants
 - 1. Committee
 - 2. Family Response

Ms. Lane discussed the following program assignments:

Welcome- Wendell Johnson, City Manager
Pledge of Allegiance- County Commissioner Scarlet Frisina
Proclamation- Mayor Steven M. Witt
Comments on Trees- Dr. Ian Rodriguez or Karl Burkhardt in the event Dr. Rodriguez is unavailable
Dedication Comments- James Montgomery
Family Response- McDuffie Family representative
Presentation- Faye Bowling-Warren
Thanks and Closing Remarks- Nick Harwell, Director of Customer Service

IV. Publicity

A. Proclamation

Ms. Lane asked Mayor Witt to read and have Ms. Bowling-Warren present a framed proclamation recognizing Mr. W.C. (Billy) McDuffie, Jr. as the honoree of the 2010 Florida Arbor Day.

B. Media

1. Lake City Journal.com
2. Lake City Reporter
3. TV- Community Bulletin Board

Ms. Lane asked for the event information to be publicized by media outlets. She also commended the Lake City Journal.com and the Lake City Reporter for their coverage of previous events. Mayor Witt suggested advertising the event at the Courthouse and County buildings due to their close proximity to the event. Mr. Montgomery stated he would add a notice of the event in his church bulletin.

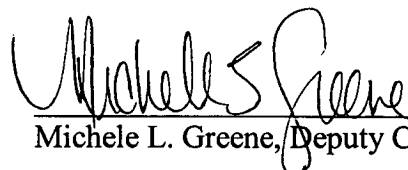
Mr. Cason asked if there was a budget for the event. Members discussed the only cost would be \$390 for a marker from Charles Monuments. Members discussed the current balance of the fund (\$704.05). Ms. Lane asked members to contact potential sponsors for the tree give-away prior to the February meeting.

V. Next meeting date

The next regular schedule meeting will be held on Tuesday, February 9, 2010.

VI. Adjournment

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 4:40 P.M.


Michele L. Greene, Deputy City Clerk