



## **CITY OF HENDERSONVILLE TREE BOARD**

**City Hall - Council Chambers | 160 Sixth Avenue E. | Hendersonville, NC 28792  
Tuesday, August 15, 2023 – 2:00 PM**

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### **MINUTES**

**MEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE:** MAC BRACKETT, BECCA DOLL, JOE PEISO, MARY DAVIS, JANET THEW, GLEN LANGE

**MEMBERS NOT IN ATTENDANCE:** DEBBIE ROUNDTREE

#### **1. CALL TO ORDER**

#### **2. APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

Glenn Lange requested to add Discussion of the Hendersonville Comprehensive Plan to the agenda. The board would like to have comments or a statement in before the draft version is finished.

Motion to Approve: Mary Davis

Second: Becca Doll

Motion Approved

Motion to Approve Agenda: Mary Davis

Second: Glen Lange

Motion Approved

#### **3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

A. Tree Board Minutes July 18, 2023

Motion to Approve: Joe Peiso

Second: Becca Doll

Motion Approved

#### **4. NEW BUSINESS**

A. Public Relations Update – Mary Jo Padgett

Tree Board members are requested to volunteer for the Back to School Fest in Green Meadows on August 26<sup>th</sup>. Glenn Lange and Mac Brackett will attend for part of the event.

REPORT TO: Hendersonville Tree Board  
FROM: Mary Jo Padgett, PR Consultant  
RE: Publicity Report for Aug. Board meeting  
DATE: Aug. 15, 2023

Publicity/ events since last board meeting --

*Support for Bee City USA management transition*

*PR for Tree Walk in August* – A news release was sent to local media – radio, print, TV -- for the Tree Walk on Main St. Most media have now posted the event – WHKP did a brief interview, WTZQ has published the event on their Qmunity webpage, Hendersonville Lightning newspaper has posted it in their daily email postings, it's on the City's website, etc.

*Research for PR on new Pollinator Bed on Four Seasons Blvd.* – I met with Mark S. earlier this month to visit the bed. I'm waiting to see the diagram of the bed and list of what is planted there. Thus, I will complete the news release soon.

Upcoming Calendar of Events --

**HENDERSONVILLE TREE BOARD CALENDAR 2023**

*Sunday, August 20 – Guided Tree Walk on Hendersonville's Main Street.* 2 p.m. City Arborist Bill Leatherwood will lead a walk along Main Street to discuss how the various types of trees and shrubs are maintained and supported to create a stress-free environment for healthy plants. Open to the public at no charge. Limited to 25 people. Deadline to register is Aug. 17.

*Sept. 1-4 – NC Apple Festival*

*Saturday, Sept. 30 – Flock to the Rock at Chimney Rock Park.* 10 a.m. – 3 p.m. The City has been invited to host a Bee City USA tent or table at this event. The event, now in its 15<sup>th</sup> year, focuses on birding, but also includes discussion of Monarch migration and other pollinator information, as CRP is

an official monarch waystation. The Symbolic Monarch Migration, which will be going on in Henderson County schools during this same time period, can also be promoted. Volunteer Patrice German is going and has asked for other volunteers to help her out at the Hendersonville Bee City USA table.

*Oct. 7 – Farm-City Day, Jackson Park*

*Fall – NeighborWoods planting projects*

- B. Conditional Zoning Districts – None
- C. Comprehensive Plan Discussion – Lew Holloway discussed the Comprehensive Plan Process and the Tree Board’s roll in the plan. The Tree Board would like to be a part of the process and intends to have a “Meeting in a Box” during the September Meeting.

## **5. OLD BUSINESS**

- A. Tree Board Ordinance Revision Committee Update – Glenn Lange

Mr. Lange updated the board on the process. Fee in Lieu options and Charlotte’s UDO were discussed.

- B. Tree Canopy Study - Mark Stierwalt

Canopy Study should be complete by the September Meeting.

- C. Pollinator Bed Behind City Pump Station

Invitation for is close to complete installation is likely in the spring.

- D. NeighborWoods & Other Tree Planting Projects for 2023

Trees will be delivered by Mickey Lively and Asheville Greenworks in early October..

- E. Bee City Changes

Tree Board will handle planting projects and the Environmental Sustainability Board will cover Education and Outreach. Caitlyn Genduzza will handle the administration aspects of the program. Patrice German has created a “Friends of Hendersonville Bee City USA”.

## **6. OTHER BUSINESS**

- A. Staff Comments

B. Change to Tree Board Bylaws

Motion to change bylaws as presented by Mac Brackett:

Second: Glen Lange

Motion Approved

Bylaws were changed to allow for the Chair of the Tree Board to not reside in City Limits, and to change the bylaws to match city ordinance of removing members who miss 25% of the scheduled meetings in a calendar year.

C. Utility Update - None

7. **ADJOURNMENT**

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