



City of Pacific Grove  
Beautification & Natural Resources Committee  
**Minutes of Meeting – May 29, 2008**

Present: Committee members: Anton, Akeman, Kampe, Phillips

Staff: Martinez

Absent: None

Guests: None

1. The meeting was called to order at 4:00 pm.
2. Approval of the Minutes of meeting held May 29, 2008.

Motion by Mr. Akeman to approve the minutes: seconded by Mr. Kampe

3. Oral Communication: There was none.

4. Old Business:

A. Newsracks Update: Staff discussed the ongoing controversy regarding the racks between 14<sup>th</sup> and 15<sup>th</sup> in front of the new tile store. Staff still needs to write letters to the various publications that are there and tell them the City intends to move the racks up the street by the bus stop. The next site is still Grove Market. Staff will check on making some kind of accommodation to the rack at the corner of Lighthouse and Forest. Essential projects keep pushing back the time line on the rack replacement.

B: The work will be scheduled for the late spring/early summer. Staff will still prepare flyers for the committee to distribute to visitors of the park two weeks before the work begins.

C. Enforcement/compliance of replanting trees: Ms. Anton and Mr. Akeman will come to the Public Works Yard next week to copy the permits. Mr. Akeman and Mr. Travaille will begin to make calls to those who took out the permits and check for compliance with regard to replanting. The arborist will work with the follow up following their reports.

D. Mr. Kampe's questions regarding neighborhood tree species and the adoption of tree program were answered and he will follow up with a final draft for the committee to review.

E: City Tree list: Staff distributed the draft final tree list as prepared for the City by Mr. D'Ambrosio. The format of the current tree list will be kept. Staff reported that the City arborist had reviewed the list and is satisfied. In addition, there was discussion that under the current code the arborist has the authority to identify different species when the need is called for in a given situation.

F: Rocky Shores Trail: Staff reported that the RFP is complete and it is ready to go to bid.

G: BID: Staff made purchased and Ms. Anton and another volunteer replanted five planters. Staff completed the balance.

5 New Business:

A. Tree Permit Summary: Tree permit summaries were distributed for May was accepted. Staff was to check that City tree permits were being entered.

B. Appeal of a Tree Removal by Thom Akeman  
This item was carried over as the City arborist was not able to be present at the meeting. It will be heard at the June meeting.

6. Sub Committee reports:

A. Recycling – The committee discussed other styles of recycling containers for the downtown that are a combination of trash and recycling. Mr. Myers has had further conversations with the owner of EcoPopDesign. The committee will wait for him to return to report on further discussion.

B. Shoreline Signage (NOT tide pool): Ms. Anton took mock ups to City Hall for approval. She told the sanctuary they are ready to go. She also reported that she spoke to the Riley McDowell Family regarding a memorial for and will pursue Pacific Grove High School as an appropriate place for a memorial for him

7. Correspondence: None

8. Agenda items for next meeting:

H. Goals: Ms. Anton requested that the goals be placed on the agenda so the committee can track their timelines. To date Goal G has been accomplished. Goal A will not meet its time line of June 1.

No new items were requested

9. The meeting was adjourned at 4:50 p.m. Moved Mr. Akeman with a 2nd by Mr. Kampe

Next meeting will be on May 27, 2008, 4:00 PM at the Pacific Grove Museum of Natural History, 165 Forest Avenue, Pacific Grove.