



**City of Pacific Grove  
Beautification & Natural Resources Committee  
Minutes of Meeting – August 26, 2008**

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

**Staff:** Martinez, Katen

**Absent:** Travaille

**Guests:** Dr. and Mrs. Stevens Tucker, Geoff and Nathan Welch, Barbara Krause

1. The meeting was called to order at 4:13 pm.
2. Approval of the Minutes of meeting held July 22, 2008 with a spelling correction tense correction to 4C made to make; 4E next from nest; . n of syntax in 4E.

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

3. Oral Communication: There was none.

4. Old Business:

A. Newsracks Update: Newsracks for Grove Market will be placed within two weeks as staff has been waiting for the delivery of the racks from the Monterey Herald. The committee recommended that the racks face the entrance of Grove Market and that they be placed in the stripped area that is at the front of the parking lot so no parking spaces will be lost. Upon notification that the racks have arrived staff will pick them up and install them.

for as B: Rip Van Winkle Park: Staff reported that they will provide the committee with flyers the people who use the park as to the coming changes. Staff reported that they had met with the California Department of Forestry – Cal Fire and they provided the final details to what is required for the fire roads. Staff met with Mike Marlowe and Jennifer Valdez. Action has not occurred earlier due to staff shortages.

C. Enforcement/compliance of replanting trees: Staff made a report and followed up on the discoveries of the team of Mr. Travaille and Mr. Akeman. Mr. Akeman has not been able to go our recently due to business commitments.

D. Tree for PG brochure: Mr. Kampe and Ms. Anton met with the Corts and discovered that the mayor was not supportive of the brochure and felt it was inappropriate to do a city program when the public/private partnership works so well. He told them the flyers that he publishes were enough. The committee decided to let the brochure sit on the "back burner" for now. Staff pointed out that the program had been presented and approved by Council. Mr. Akeman noted that the work at the Sanctuary is very good and that staff is following the Sanctuary planting plan.

E: City Tree list: It still needs to be formatted. Staff will try to work with the city office assistants to get a basic formatting down for Mr. Kampe to work from.

F: Rocky Shores Trail: The bids should be back to staff before the next meeting.

G: BID: Staff reported on the refund to the BID for street lights and how that money needs to be budgeted and formally requested.

H: Goals: Goals were reviewed and dates were adjusted. The goals are reviewed at every meeting. Mr. Myers stated he would check with Waste Management regarding the curbside pick up of plastic bags. Staff will begin refreshing the planters downtown.

#### 5. New Business:

A. Tree Permit Summary: Tree permit summary was distributed for August. Mr. Akeman noted the reduced number of trees that are coming down. In three years there has been a 50% reduction in tree removal.

B. The committee discussed the 2007 bequest from the McIndoo Estate and how to best get ideas for using the funds from the public. The funds are to be used for the beautification and enhancement of parks and public facilities. It was decided to issue a press release to all the area newspapers with a deadline of October 8, 2008 for submission of ideas with cost estimates if possible. Subsequently, the committee will meet on October 14 in a special meeting to discuss the ideas and begin to formulate a recommendation to the council. The committee will meet at its regular meeting in October to finalize the recommendations and submit a report to the City Council at their November 19 meeting.

#### 6. Sub Committee reports:

A. Recycling: No recycling update.

B. Shoreline Signage : Ms. Anton reported that the signs are almost ready and have been approved by the State authorities.

8. No agenda items for next meeting

9. The meeting was adjourned at 5:45pm. Moved Mr. Phillips with a 2nd by Mr. Myers

Next meeting will be on September 23, 2008, 4:00 PM at the Pacific Grove Museum of Natural History, 165 Forest Avenue, Pacific Grove.