

**CITY OF CARMEL-BY-THE-SEA
FOREST AND BEACH COMMISSION**

REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

Thursday, September 6, 2012

1:30p.m.

I. CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL

PRESENT: Leslie Kadis
Karen Ferlito
David Refuerzo
Tom Leverone, Chairperson

ABSENT: Lisa Boardman

STAFF PRESENT: Mike Branson, City Forester
Leslie Fenton, Administrative Coordinator

II. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Members of the audience joined Commission Members in the pledge of allegiance.

III. APPEARANCES

None

IV. CONSENT AGENDA

1. Consideration of the minutes for the 2 August 2012 Regular Meeting.

Commissioner REFUERZO moved **to approve the Consent Agenda as amended**, seconded by KADIS and **carried** by the following roll call vote:

AYES: Kadis, Ferlito, Refuerzo, Leverone
NOES: None
ABSTAIN: None
ABSENT: Boardman

V. ORDERS OF BUSINESS

1. Discussion of a request from a group of residents for removal of most of the trees in the North Dunes area of Carmel Beach.

Mike Branson, City Forester, presented the staff report. Chair Leverone opened the public hearing at 2:17 p.m. Niels Reimers, Wayne Kelley, Courtney Duke, Joyce Stevens, Clayton Anderson, Alison Shelley, Andrea Thatcher, Cathy Bang, Linda Anderson, John Dotson, Fred Degross, John Dilks, Cindy Lloyd and Bill Sears appeared before the Commission. There being no other appearances, the public hearing was closed at 2:57 p.m.

There was no motion. Discussion purposes only.

2. Consideration and approval of an Arbor Day Event for 2012.

Mike Branson, City Forester, presented the staff report. Chair Leverone opened the public hearing at 3:27 p.m. There being no other appearances, the public hearing was closed at 3:27 p.m.

Commissioner KADIS moved **to accept the Cherry Tree planting as the Arbor Day Event but to also look further into an event featuring Peter**, seconded by REFUERZO and **carried** by the following roll call vote:

AYES: Kadis, Ferlito, Refuerzo, Leverone
NOES: None
ABSTAIN: None
ABSENT: Boardman

VI. REPORTS FROM STAFF AND COMMISSION

1. Receive report from Ad hoc Beach Committee.

Commissioner Refuerzo presented the report.

2. Forester's Report

Mike Branson, City Forester, presented the report.

VII. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, Chairperson LEVERONE adjourned the meeting at 3:46 p.m.

Approved,

Respectfully submitted,

Tom Leverone, Chairperson

Leslie Fenton, Administrative
Coordinator