

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

REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

Thursday, December 6, 2012

1:30 p.m.

I. CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL

PRESENT: Karen Ferlito
David Refuerzo
Tom Leverone, Chairperson

ABSENT: Lisa Boardman
Les Kadis

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

II. TOUR OF INSPECTION

The Commission toured the McMillam property and the North Dunes area.

III. ROLL CALL

IV. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

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

V. APPEARANCES

Niels Reimers appeared before the Commission.

VI. CONSENT AGENDA

1. Consideration of the minutes for the 1 November 2012 Regular Meeting.

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

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

VII. APPLICATIONS/PUBLIC HEARINGS

1. Consideration of an application to remove one Monterey pine (25" diameter). The pine is lifting the concrete patio which causes flooding of the garage and kitchen of the home. The site is located on the east side of Junipero Avenue, 3 south of 8th Ave. The applicant and property owner are Erick Carl of Mangold Property Management for Mary McMillam.

Chairperson Leverone opened the public hearing. Erick Carl appeared before the Commission. There being no other appearances, the public hearing was closed.

Commissioner LEVERONE moved **to accept the City Forester's recommendation not to approve the application and to have applicant remove the hardscape to evaluate the root system. If the tree is found to be a problem Forester can make the decision to allow removal with the option of not charging another tree removal application removal fee**, seconded by REFUERZO and **carried** by the following roll call vote:

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

VIII. ORDERS OF BUSINESS

1. Review and discuss items raised during the joint workshop between the Planning and Forest and Beach Commissions.

Chairperson Leverone opened the public hearing. Steve Brooks appeared before the Commission. There being no other appearances, the public hearing was closed.

The Commission decided to continue this item to January.

2. Tour part of the North Dunes area and consider scheduling a public workshop to discuss the North Dunes policies related to dune restoration and tree management.

Chairperson Leverone opened the public hearing. Niels Reimers appeared before the Commission. There being no other appearances, the public hearing was closed.

Commissioner LEVERONE moved **to set the workshop for Monday, January 14, 2012, at 5:30 p.m., for a maximum of two (2) hours**, seconded by REFUERZO and **carried** by the following roll call vote:

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

3. Review of City Key Objectives and Key Projects with input for 2013 and later Key Projects.

The Commission recommended that the issue of beach clean-up including trash, fires and the pathway be forwarded to the Council.

IX. REPORTS FROM STAFF AND COMMISSION

1. Receive verbal report from the Ad hoc Beach Committee.

Maggie Eden reported on the recent beach patrol conducted by Sustainable Carmel.

2. Forester's report.

Chairperson Leverone opened the public hearing. Steve Brooks appeared before the Commission. There being no other appearances, the public hearing was closed.

X. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, Chairperson Leverone adjourned the meeting at 4:09 p.m.

APPROVED,

Respectfully submitted,

Tom Leverone, Chairperson

Leslie Fenton, Administrative Coordinator