

MINUTES  
REGULAR MEETING OF THE TREE CARE BOARD  
CITY OF LIVE OAK  
WILL BE HELD AT THE LIVE OAK COUNCIL CHAMBERS  
8001 SHIN OAK DRIVE  
TUESDAY, JANUARY 9<sup>TH</sup>, 2024, AT 6:00 P.M.

1. CALL TO ORDER - Chairman Mario Ward called the Tree Care Board meeting to order on January 9<sup>th</sup>, 2024, at 6:00 p.m.
2. INVOCATION/PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE - A moment of silence was observed, and the Pledge was recited.
3. ROLL CALL

PRESENT

Chairman Mario Ward  
Vice Chairperson Cherece Smith  
Commissioner Elizabeth Ramirez  
Commissioner Daniel Buntjer  
Commissioner Angela Green  
Commissioner Brian Read  
Commissioner Crystal Smith  
Alternate Commissioner Bonnie Tullgren  
City Council Liaison Councilman Bob Tullgren

ABSENT

Alternate Commissioner Chris Hockman  
Alternate Commissioner Dorothy Scott

STAFF

Mark Wagster, Director of Public Works  
Courtney Weese, Recreation & Special Events Manager  
Cathi Piotrowski, Administrative Assistant  
Jymie J. Perna, Administrative Assistant  
Anas Garfaoui, Interim City Manager  
Donna Lowder, EDC Director  
Linc Surber, Fire Chief  
Leroy Kowalik, Finance Director  
Gary Hopper, Police Chief

4. CITIZENS TO BE HEARD - None
5. CONSENT AGENDA
  - A. Approval of Minutes
    1. October 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2023

Commissioner Cherece Smith made a motion to approve the Consent Agenda as presented; seconded by Commissioner Angela Green.

VOTE FOR: Chairman Mario Ward, Commissioner Elizabeth Ramirez, Commissioner Daniel Buntjer, Commissioner Brian Read, and Commissioner Crystal Smith  
**PASSED: 7/0**

6. NEW BUSINESS

A. Winter Tree Care

-Director Mark Wagster spoke of the importance of mulching.

B. Pruning

-Director Mark Wagster spoke about oak wilt and the importance of sealing cuts in oak trees after pruning.

7. GENERAL ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR COMMISSIONERS

A. Commissioners

-Chairman Ward and Commissioner Elizabeth Ramirez extended a thank you to all of those who participated in the Arbor Day event at Crestview Elementary.

-Board presented Cathi Piotrowski with a gift for retirement.

B. Staff – None

8. ADJOURNMENT at 6:11 P.M.

APPROVED:

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Chairman Mario Ward

ATTEST:

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Jymie J. Perna, Administrative Assistant