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## **TREE & LANDSCAPE COMMITTEE MINUTES**

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On this the 23rd day of May 2024, the Tree and Landscape Committee of the City of Rockport held a Meeting at 5:30 p.m. at Rockport Service Center, 2751 SH 35 Bypass, Rockport, Texas and notice of meeting giving time, date and subject having been posted as described in V.T.C.A., Government Code § 551.041.

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### **Members Present**

Shelly Steckler-Chairperson  
Laura Denham  
Carla Rinche-Belaire  
Linda Frank

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### **Members Absent**

Karen Rester  
Ginger Easton Smith  
Andrea Hattman-Council Liaison

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### **Staff Members Present**

Carey Dietrich, Asst Director Bldg. & Dev, Community Planner, Building Official  
Patti Dodson, Planning Technician  
Judy Emerson, Code Enforcement  
Belinda Garcia, Administrative Assistant  
Robert Decker, Building Inspector  
Brittany Aguirre-Assistant Director Parks & Recreation  
Jonathon Huser-Parks & Recreation  
Robert Argetsinger-IT

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### **Guest(s) Present**

Two (2)

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### **Call to Order**

1. Chairperson Steckler called the meeting to order at approximately 5:43 p.m.

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### **Workshop Agenda**

2. Deliberate and act on the October 12, 2023 minutes as presented.

**Chairperson Steckler asked for motion to accept minutes. Motion to approve after staff review made by Member Linda Frank. Member Laura Denham seconded the motion. Motion to approve passed unanimously.**

3. Hear, deliberate, and act on a proposed lease of billboards for the purpose of educating citizens as to the tree ordinances of the City of Rockport, Town of Fulton, and Aransas County. Expense had been approved by Council. Only \$270 more to go with 3 billboards.

**Member Laura Denham made a motion to approve. Member Linda Frank seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.**

Community Planner Carey Dietrich spoke.

4. Discussion, Consideration, and action on a request for an expenditure from the Tree Mitigation Fund in the amount of \$736.00 for the purpose of purchasing two (2) Haglof Mantax Black 950 mm Calipers for Code Enforcement to measure trees more accurately.

**Member Linda Frank motioned to approve the purchase of one (1) Haglof Mantax Black 950 mm to measure new trees and one (1) DBH Forestry Tape to measure preserved trees. Member Laura Denham seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.**

5. Discussion, consideration, and action regarding status and condition of trees planted on city property. **Discussion regarding getting a water meter at McDonalds and Soil Testing for Rookery Park.**

Community Planner Carey Dietrich spoke.

6. Discussion, consideration, and action regarding Tree Mitigation and Preservation Account balance. **Discussion regarding Grant money.**

Community Planner Carey Dietrich spoke.

7. Adjourn.

**MOTION:**

Motion to adjourn. **Chairperson Steckler made the motion to adjourn. Member Carla Rinche-Belaire seconded the motion.**

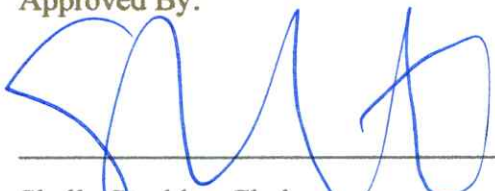
10. Adjournment.

There being no further business, Chairperson Steckler adjourned the meeting at approximately 6:03 p.m.

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Patti Dodson, Planning Technician

Approved By:

  
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Shelly Steckler, Chairwoman