

*Meeting Minutes*  
*Revitalization and Beautification Advisory Board*  
*Conference Room*  
*407 East Laurel Avenue*  
*Foley, Alabama 36535*  
*November 14, 2017*  
*2:00PM*

**Call To Order**

Ms. Pat Davis called the meeting to order at 2:10p.m. Members present: Ms. Carolyne Hollis, Ms. Pat Libby, Mr. Chad Watkins, and Mr. Josh Roberts. Absent: Ms. Ellen Dean, Mr. Terry Underwood, and Mr. Gary Pitts. Others present: Recording Secretary Ms. Brenda Shambo. Ms. Pat Davis announced there was a quorum present.

Ms. Carolyne Hollis made a motion to approve the minutes from the September 19, 2017 meeting. For the meeting scheduled on October 17, 2017 there was not a quorum present. The motion passed unanimously on a second by Mr. Chad Watkins. The minutes were approved as submitted.

**Administrative Notes** – Due to Ms. Sarah Rouzie stepping down from the Board, we need to be looking for another Board Member. To be eligible for this Board, You must either live or work in Foley or own property in the Foley City Limits.

**Special Projects** – Leslie Gahagan sent the Board pictures of the completed project at Graham Creek Nature Preserve, they are attached, the sign, fence and landscaping look nice.

The new Fountain and Landscaping at the small park beside the Library is beautiful, please after the meeting go and look at it.

The Foley Art Center Park has been completed with 2 benches, boulders, trees and a walkway. The boulders will be rearranged and some flowers planted in the spring.

Another project coming is to improve the front of the Train Museum, so many visitors go there every day and the fountain out front has not worked for a while, the flower beds just need some sprucing up.

Special Thanks go to Mr. Gary Pitts with his ideas and plans on how to make Foley a Beautiful Place to Work, Live or Visit.

**Committee Reports**

**Arbor Day** –The Board needs to start thinking about Arbor Day for 2018, I have started working on the Tree City USA Application that has to be submitted by December 1<sup>st</sup>.

**Beautification Awards** – Ms. Carolyne asked for a vote from the Board for the Beautification Awards to be given to the new Alabama Credit Union and a new sign at the back of Tanger. The vote was unanimously for these two locations, I will get the letters out to them and plan on having them at the Council Meeting in January.

**Fall Decorations** –The Fall decorations looked great!

**Seasonal Plantings/Special Projects** – Gary gave a report from John Graham, they are busy in the greenhouses working on growing the winter crop. We are changing the beds out this week, the baskets are being grown for hanging after Christmas. Containers will be changed out within the next 2 to 3 weeks. Mowing on Highway 98 will begin to be done every other week starting this month.

**Tree Committee** – Mr. Josh Roberts went and looked at the big oak trees at South Baldwin Regional Medical Center, there are two that would qualify for our Century Tree Program. Ms. Pat Davis is to get Josh the number for Mr. Keith Newton with the Hospital to discuss the program and see if they would like to submit an application for one of these trees to be recognized.

**Christmas Decorations** – The Christmas decorations are going up! We have received a few complaints about the City putting them up so early, but we have to start the first of November to have all the decorations up by the Thanksgiving Holidays. The Board has received several compliments on the decorations this year and the new Walk Thru Ornaments are Beautiful. For next year we are thinking about a 40 foot artificial Tree to go in John B. Foley Park, due to the cost, we will have to Bid this project.

**New Business** – Ms. Pat Davis brought in copies of a drawing that Mr. Chad Watkins had done for the sign that's to go at the corner of Hwy. 98 and Pine Street, to show where the old Methodist Church once stood, some of the bricks from that building were saved for this project. The Board would like to help with this project but permission has to be given from the Baldwin County School Board (JaNay Dawson), they own this property; the Methodist Church Pastor and/or Deacons then Ms. Pat Davis will present to the Historical Committee.

There being no further business to come before the Board, Ms. Pat Davis adjourned the meeting at 2:45, Mr. Chad Watkins made a motion to adjourn, and Ms. Pat Libby seconded.

The next Board meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, January 9, 2018 at 2:00 p.m. in the Conference Room at City Hall.

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Brenda W. Shambo, Recording Secretary

