

**TOWN OF SOUTHERN PINES**  
**Regular Meeting**  
**July 19, 2023**

**Board Members Present:** Teresa Lenahan, Kate Shinkwin, Gigi Walter, Birtha Shaw, Cynthia Dowdy, Kathrine Schrimmer, Caitlin Gironda and, Lauren Cramer via phone.

**Staff Present:** Cory Albers, Cindi King, and Debra Fisher

**Welcome Guests and Chair Comments.**

Teresa Lenahan stated that Marry Miller's application was approved by the Town Council as a new member of the Southern Pines Commission.

**Town of Southern Pines new initiative The Southern Pines Way**

Teresa Lenahan stated that the Town of Southern Pines has started a new initiate called the Southern Pines Way. Teresa Lenahan asked Cindi King to give more details. Cindi King stated that it is mainly with employees, and the way that we, approach people and the way that we present ourselves as the town and what we're doing is going through a new incentive pay with employees so when we evaluate our employees, we will be evaluating our employees on these things.

**Wildflowers at the Reservoir Park Dam**

Cindi King stated that the Town was required to take down several trees off the dam, which left a very open area that looks very bare. So, we are looking at planting wildflowers in this area that will look beautiful there.

**Banner for Town Ball Fields**

Teresa Lenahan stated that the banner for the Southern Pines Appearance Commission will be moved around so we can see how many hits we get for our new banner. Teresa Lenahan asked the Commission about ordering an additional banner. Everyone was in agreement on waiting to order an additional banner until we see if we get many hits for our new banner.

**Sprucing Up Southern Pines Update:** Kate Shinkwin stated that she does not know if anyone has any new nominations? Conversation ensued on properties that the committee would like to nominate for Sprucing up Southern Pines.

**Arbor Day Update:** Teresa Lenahan stated unfortunately Arbor Day had to be canceled in person because of the weather. Kate Shinkwin commented that Graham Purcell and his team planted the trees that same day. Kate Shinkwin stated that they had five Arbor Day sponsors.

With no further items to discuss Teresa Lenahan asked for a motion for adjournment. Kate Shinkwin made a motion for adjournment second by Cynthia Dowdy.

Submitted by

Debra Fisher

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