Tree Peace OKI, INC October 14, 2024

TPO News, Events and Opportunities



Member News

Wendy Morris, Vice President, has received approval for the Wind Phone - see article.

Wendy has also attended the first Comprehensive Land Use Plan and can report on that at our meeting.

Carolina Candaleria, Board Member, attended the Town of Oak Island Environmental Advisory Board meeting and will have a report on that at our meeting.

Upcoming Events

October 16 at 10:00 a.m. -

Regular Monthly Meeting at Middletown Park on Oak Island Drive under the huge Live Oak we named Eve.

(It's going to be a cool 50 degrees at the start!)

Planting Season----

The best months to plant trees here are November, through February

Oak Island News

Signature Tree Preserved

At their October 8 meeting the Oak Island Town Council approved the recommendation of staff Tree Program Manager, Bryce Taylor, to recognize and preserve a beautiful Southern Live Oak in Bill Smith Park. The tree is 50" DBH and estimated to be 150 to 200 years old. There will be a rope fence to restrict foot traffic from the critical root zone (CRZ) and signage explaining the value of trees to a coastal community. The town will mulch the CRZ and remove existing impermeable surfaces and a rope swing.

Mr. Taylor has proposed a naming contest for the tree. Watch for that on the town web site. [Here are two... 'Smitty' a common nick name for the Smith surname, or 'President Zachary Taylor' who was president 175 years ago, the approximate year that an acorn hit the ground to become this beautiful tree.]

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Brunswick County News

Questionnaire to BC Commissioner Candidates have been sent to all candidates

We have received responses from the three challengers for the BC Commissioner positions but none from the incumbents. We will decide at our meeting Wednesday how to proceed with grading the responses and publicizing our analysis as well as the full responses.

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About Us

Tree Peace OKI is a 509 (a) (2) dedicated to promoting and educating about the value of trees to Oak Island, NC. We may endeavor to influence legislation for that purpose but we may not support any candidates or political parties.

Contact us

We meet the third Wednesday every month at 10:00 a.m. in Middleton park on Oak Island Drive next to Town Hall.

Message us on our Tree Peace OKI Facebook page.

Treepeaceoki.org

Our Officers

Phil Dudley, President

Wendy Morris, Vice President

Nancy Martin, Treasurer

David Merkel, Secretary

Wind Phone Approved

At their October 8 meeting the Oak Island Town Council also approved the installation of a Wind Phone as requested by Wendy Morris. The phone is a metaphysical way to connect with loved ones that you have lost. It will be installed at May Moore Park where one can enjoy the peaceful natural setting and complete tree canopy. The Town Council discussion of the Wind Phone and Wendy's presentation can be viewed on the video of the Town Council meeting at the 1:32 mark of the meeting. For more on Wind Phones go to mywindphone.com

Help Wanted (lousy pay but great benefits!)

Treasurer

Membership Chairperson

Newsletter Editor

TPO Online Membership Payments Activated

We can now go to <u>treepeaceoki.org</u> to pay membership dues and the receipts go directly to our bank account. A thousand thanks to webmaster John Schweikert for this and all of his efforts to keep us on line and up-to-date.

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You can view Mr. Taylor's presentation on the Town web site under MEETINGS AGENDA & VIDEO / TOWN COUNCIL MEETINGS. It was the first presentation and thus easy to find if you don't want to watch the full two hour and 43 minute long meeting.