

DRAFT MINUTES

TREE PRESERVATION TRUST FUND COMMITTEE

Wednesday April 1st, 2026, 2:00 PM Hybrid Meeting via Teams

A meeting of the Tree Preservation Trust Fund Committee (TPTFC) was held on Wednesday April 1st, 2026, commencing at 2:00pm in person at 1 North University Drive, Sabal Palm Room and virtually on Teams (The TPTFC meeting minutes were summarized by Peter Burke (pburke@broward.org or 954-519-1224).

1. Statement of Meeting Objectives: The meeting was held to review recent code changes affecting the Tree Preservation Trust Fund Committee and one application for funding.
2. Roll Call: Peter Burke of the Environmental Permitting Division attended in person. Committee Members Anthony Gross, Natural Resources Division and Mike Orfanedes, UF/IFAS representing the Parks and Recreation Division, attended virtually. Alex Schore of the Environmental Permitting Division also attended the meeting.
3. Public Comments: None.
4. The Minutes of the 8/20/25 meeting were approved.
5. New Business:
 - a. The recent code changes affecting the Tree Preservation Trust Fund Committee were discussed. The major change is that funding requests from the Public Works and Environmental Services Department no longer will be subject to TPTFC review and approval. Other code changes are related to what can be funded by the Tree Preservation Trust Fund.
 - b. An application for funding from the Town of Pembroke Park was reviewed. After a short discussion the Committee voted not to approve the application for funding. Some of the issues with the request that were discussed were the excessive costs and species selection. Committee members Mike Orfanedes and Anthony Gross offered to have a virtual meeting with Town staff to put together a better proposal should the Town wish to reapply for funding.
6. Next Scheduled Meeting: To be determined based on receipt of additional applications.
7. Adjourn: 2:30pm.