



HORRY COUNTY GOVERNMENT VEREEN MEMORIAL HISTORICAL GARDENS COMMITTEE

AGENDA

Thursday, May 15, 2025 at 11:00 AM
C.B. Berry Community Center, Conference Room
2250 SC-179, Little River, SC 29566

1. Call to Order

2. Invocation and Pledge of Allegiance

3. Introduction of Members

4. Public Input

5. Minutes

- Approval of Approval of March 20, 2025 Meeting Minutes

6. Old Business

- Memorial Plaques
- Brown Trash Cans

7. Updates

- Staff Updates –
 - Budget Update
 - Park Superintendent

8. Reports

- Maintenance & Volunteers – *Dick Patterson and Bob Childs*
- Historical – *Pat and Bennie*
- Beautification – *Pat*
- Budget – *Dick, Gary, and Rich*
- Memorial – *Carol*

9. Discussion

- Hat Options
- Gardenia
- Next meeting will be an election meeting

10. Adjourn

The Vereen Memorial Historical Gardens Committee, via Ordinance 9-87 is appointed by County Council to oversee the maintenance, protection, development and renovation of Vereen Memorial Historical Gardens. The committee's purpose is to preserve the historical, architectural, archaeological, or cultural interests and values that reflect the heritage of Horry County in keeping with the aims and desires of the donor, Jackson Hiram Vereen.



VEREEN MEMORIAL HISTORICAL GARDENS COMMITTEE SCHEDULE 2025

Board Meetings are typically held at 9:00am in the Conference Room of the
C.B. Berry Community Center at 2250 SC-179, Little River SC 29566.
All interested citizens are invited to attend.

January 16, 2025	9:00 – 10:30AM	Committee Meeting – Conference Room of the CB Berry Community Center
March 20, 2025	9:00 – 10:30AM	Committee Meeting – Conference Room of the CB Berry Community Center
May 15, 2025	9:00 – 10:30AM	Committee Meeting – Conference Room of the CB Berry Community Center
July 17, 2025	9:00 – 10:30AM	Committee Meeting – Conference Room of the CB Berry Community Center
September 18, 2025	9:00 – 10:30AM	Committee Meeting – Conference Room of the CB Berry Community Center
November 13, 2025	9:00 – 10:30AM	Committee Meeting – Conference Room of the CB Berry Community Center

*There are no meetings scheduled for February, April, June, August, October, and December. If needed, additional meetings can be scheduled.

VEREEN MEMORIAL HISTORICAL GARDENS COMMITTEE

CHAIRWOMAN

Term Expires: 6/30/2027

Carol Patterson

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Appointment Date: 7/18/2023

VICE CHAIRWOMAN

Term Expires: 6/30/2025

Patricia Green

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Appointment Date: 4/30/2021

Term Expires: 6/30/2027

Debbie Vereen Givens

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Appointment Date: 10/30/2023

Term Expires: 6/30/2027

Richard Patterson

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Appointment Date: 7/18/2023

Term Expires: 6/30/2027

Bob Childs

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Appointment Date: 10/17/2023

Term Expires: 6/30/2026

Gary Weaver

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Appointment Date: 6/16/2022

Term Expires: 6/30/2026

Rich Lavigne

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Appointment Date: 6/16/2022

Term Expires: 6/30/2027

Bennie Dowty

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Appointment Date: 3/21/2023

Term Expires: 6/30/2025

Lynn Whitenack

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Appointment Date: 1/21/2025



Vereen Memorial Historical Gardens Committee
Briefing Memorandum
Horry County, South Carolina

Date: May, 15, 2025
From: Parks and Recreation
Division: Infrastructure and Regulation
Prepared By: Michaela LeMay, Community Center Supervisor
Regarding: Donation and Budget Report

ISSUE:

What is the status of the Vereen Memorial Historical Gardens budget?

CONCLUSION:

The Vereen Memorial Historical Gardens Committee has used \$3,585.85 of the County budget.

There is \$5,369.07 remaining in the Vereen Memorial Historical Gardens donation account.

BACKGROUND:

The Vereen Memorial Historical Gardens Committee maintains two accounts. One account rolls over annually and has been accumulated via donations. This account no longer accumulates funds. The other account is allocated annually through the regular Fiscal Year budgeting process. Funds from both accounts are utilized by the Committee and staff to support the actions, projects, and needs of the Committee.

ANALYSIS:

The Vereen Memorial Historical Gardens Committee has used funds from both accounts as follows:

FY 25 Funds Used: \$3,585.85

Items Purchased	Vendor	Cost	Comments
Grounds	Site One	\$389.64	14 Azaleas
Equipment	M & M	\$1,156.83	Batteries and blowers
Equipment	Harbor Freight	\$159.82	Batteries for blowers
Equipment	M & M	\$556.18	Gas backpack blower and pole saw
Food	Lowes Food	\$405.93	Volunteer Luncheon
Gifts	SP Tumbler Shop	\$917.45	Volunteer Gifts

Donation Funds: Remaining \$5,369.07

Items Purchased	Vendor	Cost	Comments
Tri-Informational Board	Kirby	4,699.07	Informational Board
Split Rail Fence	Lowes	1,303.95	Replacing Split Rail
Split Rail Fence	Lowes	819.94	Replacing Split Rail
Split Rail Fence	Lowes	158.46	Replacing Split Rail

**Note this does not include the expenditures for the Spring volunteer luncheon*



Trucker ~\$316.32

Cotton (like the black cap) ~\$328.80

Performance cap~ \$400.00