



EXCERPT FROM THE MINUTES OF THE REGULAR SESSION OF THE HONORABLE SANGGUNIANG BAYAN, TIGBAUAN, ILOILO HELD AT THE SB SESSION HALL, TIGBAUAN MUNICIPAL BUILDING ON AUGUST 6, 2014 AT 1:50 IN THE AFTERNOON.

**PRESENT:**

HON. ROEL T. JARINA,	Vice Mayor & Presiding Officer
HON. RONNIE T. PAGUNTALAN,	Liga President & Temp. Pres. Officer
HON. JOSE DONEL T. TRASPORTO,	SB Member
HON. RENEE LIBRODO- VALENCIA,	SB Member
HON. VIRGILIO T. TERUEL,	SB Member
HON. MARLON R. TERUÑEZ,	SB Member
HON. SUZETTE MARIE HILADO-BANNO,	SB Member
HON. RICKY T. NULADA,	SB Member
HON. ARIEL I. BERNARDO,	SB Member

**ABSENT:**

HON. MA. GERRYLIN SANTUYO-CAMPOSAGRADO, SB Member

**Municipal Ordinance No. 2014-016**

**AN ORDINANCE DECLARING THE THIRD WEDNESDAY OF SEPTEMBER OF EVERY YEAR AS ARBOR DAY IN THE MUNICIPALITY OF TIGBAUAN, ILOILO**

SPONSORED BY: **HON. MA. GERRILYN S. CAMPOSAGRADO** - *Chairperson, Committee on Environmental Protection, Housing, Land Utilization, Zonification, Assessment & Expropriation*

MOVED AND CO-SPONSORED BY: Hon. Ricky Nulada, Vice Chairman, *Committee on Environmental Protection, Housing, Land Utilization, Zonification, Assessment & Expropriation*

SECONDED BY: Hon. Jose Donel Trasporto, Hon. Virgilio Teruel, Hon. Ariel Bernardo and Hon. Ronnie Paguntalan

BE IT ENACTED BY THE SANGGUNIANG BAYAN IN SESSION DULY ASSEMBLED:

**Section 1. TITLE** - This ordinance shall be known as the "*Arbor Day Ordinance in the Municipality of Tigbauan, Province of Iloilo*".

**Section 2. DECLARATION OF POLICY**- It is hereby declared as policy of the Municipality to protect and advance the right of the people to a balanced and healthful ecology in accord with the rhythm and harmony of nature. Towards this end, the vital role and importance of trees in ecological stability is recognized. Hence, there is a need for collaborated effort between the State and its citizenry to combat the loss of our natural resources and rejuvenate our environment by undertaking nationwide tree planting activities and providing effective measures for their maintenance and sustainability.

**Section 3. CREATION OF ARBOR DAY COMMITTEE** - In implementing the intents of this Ordinance, there shall be created in the Municipality an Arbor Day Celebration Committee, the composition of which shall be as follows:

Chairperson : Local Chief Executive  
Vice Chairperson : Vice Mayor  
Co-Vice Chairperson: SB Chairperson, Committee on Environmental Protection

**Members:**

- Municipal Agricultural Officer
- Municipal Environment and Natural Resources Officer (MENRO)
- District Supervisor, Department of Education
- School Principals (public and private)
- Local Government Operation Officer;
- Municipal Planning & Dev't. Officer
- Municipal Engineer;
- Tourism Officer Designate;
- Chief of Police, PNP;
- SK Federated President;
- Liga ng mga Barangay President;
- Two (2) Representatives from the NGO;
- Tricycle Drivers Association
- Tigbauan Drivers & Owners Association; and
- Such other members as the Local Chief Executive may deem it necessary.

**Section 4. FUNCTIONS OF THE ARBOR DAY COMMITTEE** – the following are the functions of the Committee:

- Formulate plans and programs necessary to achieve the intent of this Ordinance;
- Specify the areas to be planted with trees and ornamental plants;
- Monitor and record the activities and projects undertaken under this Ordinance; and
- Such other members as the Local Chief Executive may deem necessary.

**Section 5. PROCLAMATION OF ARBOR DAY** – The Third Wednesday of September of every year (which coincides with the celebration of the Philippine Civil Service Month) shall be proclaimed as the Arbor Day (Tree Planting Day) of the Municipality of Tigbauan and shall be declared as public working holiday in order to ensure the participation of the different sectors of the society.

**Section 6. FUNDING** – Special appropriation in the amount of Fifty Thousand Pesos (Php. 50,000.00) per year will be provided by the municipality for the operation and maintenance of the activity.

**Section 7. INFORMATION AND MONITORING** – For information and monitoring purposes, all concerned agencies, department, and institutions shall submit to the Committee their accomplishment in relation to the Arbor Day Celebration.

**Section 8. SUPPLY AND DISTRIBUTION OF SEEDLINGS** – The Municipal Agricultural Officer and the Municipal Environment and Natural Resources Officer shall be responsible in the supply and distribution of seedlings for the tree planting program of the Municipality.

**Section 9. PLANTING OF TREES** – All able-bodied citizens of the Philippines residing in the Municipality, who are at least Twelve (12) years of age, shall be encouraged to plant and support the maintenance of at least one (1) tree every year.

**Section 10. AREAS COVERED BY TREE PLANTING** – The Arbor Day Celebrations Committee shall specify the area within the Municipality to be planted or reforested as a protected area or a greenbelt area. The Committee shall encourage the use of the endemic or indigenous species during the observance of the Arbor Day designated by the municipality.

The tree planting activities shall be done in any of the following areas:

- Public school grounds, man-made mini forests or other available areas within the school premises;
- Idle or vacant public lands;
- Public parks in rural areas;
- Private schools, parks and lands with the consent of the owner thereof.

**Section 11. MAINTENANCE OF TREES**– The barangay/school officials and deputized non-governmental organizations shall be responsible for the maintenance of such trees.

**Section 12. SEPARABILITY CLAUSE** – If any provisions of this Ordinance or any part thereof be declared invalid or unconstitutional, the remaining provisions not affected shall continue in full force and effect.

**Section 13. REPEALING CLAUSE** – All ordinances, resolutions, executive orders or regulations and other issuances inconsistent with the provisions and/or purposes of this Ordinance are hereby repealed, amended or modified accordingly.

**Section 14. EFFECTIVITY CLAUSE** – This Ordinance shall take effect immediately upon approval.

**APPROVED.**

**CERTIFIED CORRECT:**

**MARLENE TAYO-NAVA**  
S.B. Secretary

ATTESTED:

**ROEL T. JARINA**  
Vice Mayor & Presiding Officer

APPROVED:

**SUZETTE TENEFRANCIA-ALQUISADA**  
Municipal Mayor

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**HON. ROEL T. JARINA, M.D.**  
Municipal Vice Mayor

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