

PARK HILLS TREE BOARD MINUTES NOVEMBER 5, 2016

PRESENT: Kathleen Laurin, Will Korte, Pat Flannery, Mike Conway, Sue Bennings

Mike Conway presiding.

Notes taken and presented by Sue Bennings

Treasury: \$6000.00 in budget \$109.86 in Restrictive Reserve

The notes of the October meeting taken by Will Korte were amended and approved.

Mike Conway asked Pat to report on the plantings in the city. Pat Flannery reported that Ron Watson of Tip Top Landscaping was paid \$953.32 and \$1138.72 for plantings in front of the business district on Dixie Highway. Mr. Watson was also paid for his work on improving the hillside at Arlington and Dixie Highway. There was only one application for a tree and a possible second. One tree along Amsterdam will be replaced.

The Tree Board also discussed an additional amount to be paid to Ron for additional hours of labor not included at his first invoice for the hillside planting. It was agreed that he should receive an additional \$60.00 for 5 additional hours. It seems Ron may have underestimated his clearing time to prepare the hill.

The Business Association sign was discussed. There is a City Council plan to have a new sign painted. The city will pay for the painting.

Kathleen Laurin reported that she attended the Annual Urban Forestry Dinner. She commented that the presenter was Tom Kimmerer author of "Venerable Trees-History, Biology and Conservation in the Bluegrass." He discussed urban plantings and preservation. Kathleen purchased his book and will use it as a resource for Tree Board planning. The movie Trees In Trouble was discussed. The movie was presented at the Beringer-Crawford Museum.

Sue Bennings asked if she could ask the city to pay her for the purchase of three Tregators. Two were for the business district plantings and one for the Skip Fangman Memorial Tree. She and Will Korte have been sharing watering the new plantings on two sites. Sue also reported that Mr. Gus Wolf donated the Skip Fangman Memorial Tree and delivered it. It will be planted following the meeting this morning. Some members plan to attend along with the Fangman family. Sue also reported that Dr. Thompson DDS will allow the Tree Board to use his water for the Dixie Highway plants. Sue will send thank you notes to Mr. Wolf and Dr. Thompson.

The comments of Phil Ryan made to Tree Board Members and City Council Members about the new tree board proposal were discussed. The Tree Board appreciates Mr. Ryan's comments. The comments will be considered.

The Tree Board discussed enforcement of all Tree Board proposals. Enforcement will take a concerted effort.

The new ordinance was discussed and decided that there may be changes to the ordinance as the need arises.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:45.

Some Members met to honor Skip Fangman at the Memorial tree planting.

