

TREE BOARD MINUTES JANUARY 5, 2013

Present: Kathleen Lauren, Pat Flannery, Will Corte, Mike Conway, Sue Bennings

Chairman Presiding: Mike Conway

Minutes taken and presented: Sue Bennings

The December minutes were read and approved.

Treasury: \$2,100

Mike Conway reported of an ongoing issue with a fallen tree on Audubon. A letter had been sent in the past to the resident whose tree had fallen on the neighbor's property. The neighbor would like to see some resolution to the issue.

It was discussed that most people do not know of the insurance issue of diseased trees. If there is a diseased tree near a neighbor's boundary and that tree falls and creates damage, the property damaged is the responsibility of the owner of the property. It is not the tree owner's responsibility unless the neighbor has informed (by written letter) the tree owner of the concern before the tree falls.

A suggestion was made that the issue be discussed with Mr. Winter, the City Attorney. It might be an important service to inform the city residents of the liability issue. The city web site might be the appropriate place to post the information.

TREE CITY USA update-Mike Conway made the annual application

NEW TREE PLAN-Kathleen discussed the Ft. Thomas plan and it was decided that the issue be tabled at this time.

Kathleen was going to talk with the City of Ft. Thomas to inquire if there was some regional tree organization as there is in other areas in Kentucky.

GRANTS- Will Korte received a note from the Tree Line Newsletter. He will scan it and send it to each Tree Board Member.

Will announced there will be a Tree Board Seminar in Louisville. The date is Friday, February 22. The cost is \$15. A reception will be held on Thursday evening before the meeting.

Will reported that he will have the City of Park Hills placed on the list for seedlings for 2013.

STREET-A-YEAR recommendation-Pat Flannery reported that the streets on the S. Arlington side of Park Hills is being considered. If this plan isn't feasible, the Ft. Thomas example may be used.

The plan would include third party planting after the approval process is complete.

Mike Conway plans to present the idea to the Village Green Committee and then proceed on to City Council. When the new budget is added to the existing budget, the committee will have a working budget for the tree re-imbusement plan.

Mike will form a letter and ask Julie Alig to place the tree recommendation on the web site if that plan proceeds.

TREE DAY 2013-Pat Flannery suggested September 7 as the date for the tree day in Park Hills.

It was hoped an arborist would be present for the day.

The meeting was adjourned.

NEXT MEETING FEBRUARY 2, 2013 8:00 AM
REALITY TUESDAY