

URBAN FORESTRY COMMISSION MEETING

March 9, 2011

Members Present: Ted Slegesky, Norma Schechter, Linda Fried, Anu Hittle, Jack Brier, James Crowe

Meeting called to order at 7:07pm by President Ted Slegesky

Minutes of the January 12, 2011 meeting were reviewed, Linda motioned to accept, Anu second, motion passed.

Annual Community Forestry Report: Jack motion to accept with the council addendum "to work towards a goal of increasing the planting of trees by 120% to offset what is removed each year". Nancy second motion passed. There was discussion about seeking grant funding to pay a contractor to plant trees, James will research grant opportunities and Anu will write the grant application.

City Council Liaison Update: No council liaison report

Monthly Forestry Reports: January and February were reviewed and accepted

Old Business:

- A) Memorable Tree Walk: Anu presented the 6 tree profiles worked on by the commission in a HTML format and will work with the U City in Bloom webmaster for placement on their web site. Norma selected 4 more trees for the tree walk. The commission members will work on the profiles and send them to Anu via e-mail giving us a total of 10 trees for the tree walk.
- B) Arboretum Map: Jack is still working on should have something ready by spring

New Business:

- A) James contacted Nathaniel Hawthorn Elementary School about the Arbor Day celebration in Millar Park on April 8.

Update of Development Projects: James reviewed the plans for Pershing Elementary School and approved them.

Discussion and citizen comments: no citizen comments

Linda made a motion to adjourn the meeting, Jack second, meeting adjourned at 8:10 pm

Next meeting date: May 11 at 7:00 pm.

James Crowe