

URBAN FORESTRY COMMISSION MEETING

May 11, 2011

Members Present: Ted Slegesky, Norma Schechter, Linda Fried, Anu Hittle, Jack Breier, James Crowe, Nancy Solodar

Meeting called to order at 7:05pm by President Ted Slegesky

Minutes of the March 9, 2011 meeting were reviewed, Nancy motioned to accept, Norma second, motion passed.

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 commission a draft of the 10 trees in the web format and members reviewed the pages making corrections. Anu will meet with the web master for U City In Bloom to finalize placing the tree walk on their web site. A leaflet will be produced to be distributed to the Oakbrook Rain Garden open house, Trailnet and U City fair.
- B) Arboretum Map: Jack is working with Carol Deane and the committee is investigating various types of signage for the arboretum.
- C) Arbor Day Ceremony: A Dawn Redwood was planted in Millar Park the City Forester made a short presentation to the Nathaniel Hawthorne 6th grade. After the planting demonstration the 6th graders participated in a scavenger hunt. Nancy and Norma participated in the ceremony representing the commission.

New Business:

Update of Development Projects:

Discussion and citizen comments: 2 questions concerning city forestry policy were raised by Nancy. 1) When is block pruning in the 7300 block of Westmorland scheduled? James stated the pruning should occur next fall. 2) Does the resident need a permit to have their arborist prune city trees? Yes.

Nancy made a motion to adjourn the meeting, Jack second, meeting adjourned at 8:04 pm

Next meeting date: July 13 at 7:00 pm.

James Crowe