## URBAN FORESTRY COMMISSION MEETING Nov 9, 2011

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

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

Minutes of the Sept 14, 2011 meeting were reviewed, Norma motioned to accept, Nancy second, motion passed.

City Council Liaison Update: No council liaison report

Monthly Forestry Reports: Sept and October reviewed and accepted

## Old Business:

A) Memorable Tree Walk and Arboretum Map: Ted suggested combining the two discussions. The two options for signage were presented St Louis Trophy a quote of \$65.25 per bronze sign or myplantlabel.com of \$16.00 per aluminum sign plus stake. Ted asked about the labor and concrete to install the signs, Norma suggested using volunteer labor and including it as part of our match in asking for the park foundation grant. After some discussion of the design Jack suggested including the city logo. Norma reported the Fogerty Park portion of the tree walk is all finished just need to include the tree descriptions.

## New Business:

- A) Park Foundation Grant: Norma made a motion to make a grant request to the Parks Foundation for a grant to purchase for 60 signs from myplantlabel.com and a hand held gps system for the collection of data from the Arboretum and Memorable Tree Walk. Jack seconded motion passed.
  - After discussion Jack made a motion to increase the request from 60 signs to 75, Nancy seconded motion passed.
  - There was discussion concerning where the gps would be kept and it was agreed the Forestry Dept would store the system and use it if needed.
  - The Park Foundation meeting is Nov 16 and Judy Prange of the Foundation would like to have the grant request a head of time for review. Nancy and Norma agreed to write the request.
- B) James reported that Gamma Tree Service had won the annual tree pruning contract.

<u>Update of Development Projects:</u> The Walgreens Development on Delmar was reviewed by the Forestry Department and approved.

Discussion and citizen comments: None

Norma made a motion to adjourn the meeting, Jack second, meeting adjourned at 8:00 pm Next meeting date: January 11 at 7:00 pm.

**James Crowe**