Minutes from January 7, 2020 Findlay Shade Tree Commission

The January 7th, 2020 Shade Tree Commission was called to order at 4pm at the Findlay Municipal Building Conference Room third floor by Chair Tom Mills. The following members were present: Ed Crawford, Ben Dolan, Tom Mills, Jim Niemeyer, Dave Honse, AJ Copus, Jeremy Kalb and Mayor Christina Muryn.

A motion made by Ben Dolan and a second by Ed Crawford to accept The STC November 12th, 2019 Minutes, and they were accepted and passed.

Tom Mills welcomed and asked introductions of those attending. Joining the meeting was guest Amy Wellman. It was noted that Findlay received its designation of Tree City USA for 2019. Also, Jim Niemeyer, STC City Council Member, is seeking re-appointment from City Council. Mills provided several handouts including the 2020 Timeline and Time Sheet, 2020 STC Commission Roster.

Officers for 2020: Chairman -Tom Mills; Recorder-Ed Crawford, Technology & IT - Ben Dolan.

Financial Report: A motion was made by Ed Crawford and seconded by Ben Dolan to approve the 2020 STC's Budget and Financial report, and it was accepted and passed.

Reports:

City Council-No report

Service Safety- No report

Public Works-Dave Honse reported that the green waste site will remain open till January 17, 2020 and then close till spring, April 1st. AJ Copus reported that they are working on tree trimming and removal. Jeremy Kalb reported that they will have no work effecting City trees until 2021.

Old Business:

Tech Report – Ben Dolan handed out an Annual Communication Calendar on items and topics the STC could be providing or posting on the City's web Site.

Neighbor Woods – Tom Mills reported that this program will be April 18th. There has been interest from the Winter Woods area and there is also some from the Stone Hill area. The sites will be evaluated this month.

New Business:

Tree Commission Academy – Tom Mills reported that there are two sessions for the Academy to be held in Tiffin (Jan. 29-30 and Oak harbor (March 8-15.

Arbor Day – will be held April 17, 2020 and a TBD site.

Tree City USA Celebration – will be held May 6, 2020 in Bowling Green.

The next meeting of the Commission will be February 4, 2020, 4pm at the Municipal Building

The meeting was adjourned at 5:00pm

Respectfully submitted

Ed Crawford, Recording Secretary