

February 2,2015 Findlay Shade Tree Minutes for the Meeting

The Monday February 2,2015 Findlay Shade Tree Commission was called to order by Chair Tom Mills at 4pm at the Findlay Municipal Building ,third Floor Conference Room. The following members were present: Tim Brugeman, Lynn Farwig, Randy Greeno (New) ,Tom Mills, Paul Schmelzer, Deb Seng. Guest: Phil Mosier

Tom Welcomed the committee members and guests. The Commission would be issuing an invitation to Karl Farwig to accept a position with the Shade Tree Commission.

A motion was made to accept the secretary's minutes by Tim Brugeman and Lynn Farwig seconded the motion . (The minutes were passed a correction regarding the Tree Academy).

There were no reports from City Council or Public Works.

Paul Schmelzer Service Safety Director told the commission that capital improvements will not involve tree planting. The city would be focusing on infrastructure.

Tim Brugeman and guest Phil Mosier updated the Commission on the upcoming Neighborwoods project along South Main Street. To Date 19 trees will be planted,5 trees are slated to be taken out. There are 16 additional sites that have been identified for additional planting if the property owners wish to participate. The neighbors would be meeting held February 4,2015 at the church on South Main.

Lynn Farwig updated the Commission that 34 Freshmen were in attendance at the Tree Academy program which took place at the Findlay Location of the ODNR on Lima Avenue. The next class is scheduled for March (a sophomore class). Junior and Senior classes were yet to be scheduled.

Tim Brugeman updated the Commission on the US Forest Service Grant. Locations will be along Eagle Creek. The Swale and Emory Adams park. These sites were selected to help control flooding. There is an 18 month timeline in which this project must be completed.

Tim reported that the Arbor Day planting would take place Thursday, April 30,2015 with a planting at the University of Findlay followed by a presentation by speaker Mark Bays 7pm,at Ritz Theater located at Old Main of the University of Findlay. The University of Findlay Green Campus Initiative will be sponsoring the Speaker in conjunction with the Findlay Shade Tree Commission.

Tom Mills along with Dave Hose identified a potential of 11 sites to place Tree City USA signs.

The Commission discussed various ideas to further the Master Tree Planting Plan.

The Next Meeting March 2, 2015,4pm The Meeting was adjourned at 5:10 pm

Respectfully submitted

Deb Seng Secretary

April- Neighborwoods

April 6-Shade Tree

April 30- Arbor Day 7pm ,Ritz Auditorium, University of Findlay Mark Bays Speaker.

May 4 –Shade Tree Meeting

August 3- Shade Tree Meeting

Sept 21- Shade Tree Commission Meeting

Oct.3- Adopt a tree

Nov-.2 Shade Tree Commission meeting