City of Findlay Shade Tree Minutes for 8/3/15

The August 3,2015, meeting of the Findlay Shade Tree Commission was called to order by Chair Tom Mills at 4pm. The meeting was held in the third floor conference room at the Findlay Municipal Building. The following members were present: Tim Brugeman, AJ Copus, Karl Farwig, Lynn Farwig, Randy Greeno, Dave Honse, Paul Schmelzer, Deb Seng, Anne Spence. Guests: Cathy Smith, Harrison Smith

A motion was made by Paul Schmelzer to accept the Secretary's minutes, Tim Brugeman seconded the motion, the minutes were approved.

Guest Harrison Smith spoke to the Commission on a project he would like to oversee as he pursues his Eagle Scout achievement. Harrison would like to a tree planting of 140 trees, various species at the Fort Findlay Park. He will oversee and provide the labor of the planting. His mother former Forester Cathy Smith, will be working in conjunction with him. The Commission agreed to this project.

Tom Mills told the commission that plans for shirts for the commission had been pushed back to 2016.

Reports Anne Spence Council Representative had nothing to report.

Paul Schmelzer talked to the Commission about the replanting of Spruce Drive. Paul said that residents would be in charge of watering the trees once they were planted. Paul also told the Commission that plans for the Marathon plantings and green space will soon be available.

Dave Honse and AJ Copus spoke to the commission about the possibility of approaching Manor Hill about a possible Neighborwoods project.

Tom Mills advised looking at the City Ordinance and Strategic Plan at the September meeting.

**Project Updates** 

Karl and Lynn Farwig spoke to the Commission about The Fall 2015 Tree Commission Academy to be held October 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> at the Findlay ODNR.

Tom Mills updated the Commission on the US Forest Service Grant, Trees will be ordered late September to early October.

Randy Greeno updated the Commission on the tree planting at Maple Grove Cemetery. AEP had destroyed many of the existing trees. The Commission will use \$4180 of the budget towards the planting.

The next meeting will be held September 21,2015.

Paul made a motion to Adjourn the Meeting, Tim Seconded the motion Chair Tom Mills adjourned the meeting at 5:10pm

Respectfully Submitted, Deb Seng Secretary