

Findlay Shade Tree Commission - Minutes February 1, 2016

The February 1, 2016 meeting of the Findlay Shade Tree Commission was called to order by Chair Tom Mills at 4pm in the Municipal Building Conference room.

The following were in attendance: Tim Brugeman, AJ Coppus, Karl Farwig, Lynn Farwig, Randy Greeno, Dave Honse, Tom Mills, Jim Niemeyer, Deb Seng

Secretary's minutes, A Motion was made by Karl Farwig and a second by Randy Greeno the minutes were approved.

Tom Mills introduced Jim Niemeyer as the City Council Representative to the Commission and welcomed him.

Reports

City Council- No Report

Service Safety Director- No Report

Public Works- Dave Honse and AJ Coppus reported on trees removed on Manor Hill.

Old Business

Tom Mills led a lengthy discussion on City ordinance and Tree regulations. The commission has been working to streamline and revise the city ordinance. The topics of definition and regulations have been put into an updated version for Findlay City Council to consider as early as their first meeting in March. Karl Farwig was asked to separate out the changes between the proposed ordinances, regulations and definitions as opposed to the document being used presently.

A Motion was made by Tim Brugeman to accept the revisions and updates to present and recommend this document to City Council in time for Council's first meeting in March subject to any revisions needed to comply with the City Code. Randy Greeno seconded the motion an electronic vote would be taken for approval.

A motion was made by Tim Brugeman to continue with the drafting of the document and changes and to invite city council to the Commission's March 7th meeting to view the document subject to the approval of the Shade Tree Commission. Randy Greeno seconded the motion. The motion passed.

Lynn Farwig reported that Young Tree Training would take place at Sherman Park Tuesday February 6 at 1pm.

Tom Mills reported and requested that Shade tree Commission shirts be ordered and delivered in time for the Findlay Home Show. The shirts will be purchased from City Laundry and Apparel.

New Business

In consideration of time The Commission looked over the following items, Calendar 2016, Arbor Day tree planting, Modification of adopt a tree, Tree City USA.

The Findlay Home Show will be held March 5, and March 6. Tom Mills offered to attend the Commission's Booth

Tim Brugeman requested that Shade tree members keep their volunteer hours updated.

The meeting was adjourned at 5:30 pm

Next meeting Monday March 7, 2016.

Respectfully Submitted ,

Deb Seng Secretary