Minutes – Findlay Shade Tree Commission April 4, 2016

The April 4, 2016 meeting of the Findlay Shade Tree Commission was called to order at 4:00 pm at the Findlay Municipal Building by Chair Tom Mills.

The Following members were present: Tim Brugeman, AJ Copus, Karl Farwig, Lynn Farwig, Randy Greeno, Dave Honse, Tom Mills, Jim Niemeyer, Paul Schmelzer, Deb Seng, Guests Beverly Bucher, Deb Schlachter

Minutes- A motion was made by Randy Greeno to accept the minutes-and a second by Lynn Farwig The motion was passed.

City Council Jim Niemeyer was present but had no report

Service Safety Director Paul Schmelzer encouraged the Commission to have its ordinance ready to present to Council at the second meeting in April.

Public Works-Dave Honse reported that the Dump site would reopen April 5th.

Projects

Ordinance/Regulation-Tom Mills reported that after many hours of work, revisions and corrections that the proposed Ordinance regarding all aspects of City owned Shade Trees and Trees on City right of ways would be presented to Findlay City Council in time for Council's second meeting in April.

Tim Brugeman made a motion to adopt the ordinance as a Commission and recommend and present to Findlay City Council for Council to consider, Jim Niemeyer seconded the motion and the Motion was passed.

2016 NeighborWoods- Tim Brugeman introduced Beverly Bucher and Deb Schlachter representatives of their NeighborWoods planting projects. Tim said that the trees on the west side of town next to Millstream Career Center would be planted on Friday following the Arbor Day Program and that the NeighborWoods project on the east side of Town would meet at the Stone Bridge Church on Saturday April 30th.

Finance report- It was determined that the Financial report would be looked at an upcoming meeting.

Education Lynn Farwig` suggested that the Shade Tree Commission track the trees planted in 2015 and teach the property owners how to properly prune and take care of these new trees.

2016 Arbor Day- Deb Seng reported that a tree planting at Millstream Career Center would take place Friday April 29, 2016 10:00am.

Miracle Field- This was discussed briefly and the Commission would like to be part of the planning on the types of shade trees to be planted.

Tree City USA- Tim reported that this celebration would take place April 20, 2016 in West Unity Ohio.

The Next Meeting of the Commission will be May 2nd. The meeting was adjourned at 5:15 pm. Respectfully Submitted, Deb Seng Secretary