

Forestry Meeting January 5, 2015

Attendees: Diane McAllister, Ann Stivers, Paul Wessel, Don Walker, Jim Williams, Nan Dryden, Ursula Brooks, Ellen Welham, and Andrea Hanlon.

Minutes from Dec. approved without corrections.

Budget report: none

Calendar Report: Report included from Lucy as paper copy. Approximately 100 calendars have been picked up from City Hall. To increase distribution Ursula will set up a table to give away calendars at the Civic Club Winter Bowl inside "Shall We Dance". People can have more than one calendar if they like.

Canopy Campaign: The 23 trees are planted and SnowHill Nursery has been paid. There is an additional \$315.00 fee from Martin Spickard for additional time spent after Andrea inspected the plantings and asked him to correct some issues. There was discussion. Bad weather conditions were a factor and the additional fee was not agreed in advance. Paul made the motion, Nan seconded, Board approved a compromise to pay 1/2 of the \$315 fee.

Spring Tree Replacement: The trees recommended are: Birch, Kusa Dogwood, Maple, Cherry, Serviceberry, and Katsura. Jim will check to see if we can get more dogwoods. Jim said we had fewer than 100 trees left last year after the Sunday giveaway. Last year they were all claimed by Monday. We ordered 300 trees last year, and may order 250 this year. Jim will work on this and send info to Diane. The date is March 29, 1:00-3:00 PM. Arbor Day program date March 25. We need a speaker. Jim will investigate some leads and find out if there is a speaker's fee needed. Last year's distribution went well the way Booth set it up at the maintenance building.

Growth Award: We did not get the award this year because we did not spend more money than last year. It was one of the stipulations.

Old Business:

---Ursula says the photo albums of past calendars has been on hold because of difficulty altering the sizes with the equipment available.

---We have some educational pamphlets at City Hall. These can be brought to the Tree Give Away and Winter Bowl, etc..

New Business: Mark Timmons is retiring from the landscape management business which is what his company has done for Anchorage. Andrea has worked since 1987 as an independent contractor for the Timmons business as the city Arborist. The city is working on finalizing a new contract.*

Anchor-age Newsletter: Will repeat the message to have residents pickup calendars at City Hall. The most recent article about tree guards was very informative. Each time there is a tree program Sandi puts a reminder about the tree guards for sale at City Hall.

Adjourned at 10:10. Next meeting Feb. 2, 2015. Minutes submitted by Nan Dryden, Secretary.

*Alice gave a report that the Arborist contract will be reviewed and presented to the City Council. Forestry will provide input into the contract.