

Anchorage Forestry Board Meeting Nov. 2, 2015

Meeting called to order 8:45 AM, City Hall

Attendees: Paul Wessel; Don Walker; Ellen Welham; Ursula Brooks; Lucy Spickard; Diane McAllister; Nan Dryden; Andrea Hanlon, City Arborist; and Rene Majors, City Administrator.

Minutes: Motion to approve by Lucy, second offered by Diane, and minutes were unanimously approved.

Budget: Canopy Campaign total for trees is \$5,809.50. Total, including tree guards (24@ \$3.00 each.) \$6,194.50.

Arborist Report: Tree Permits/ Appointments: October Permits: 6

Calendar: Lucy's report: For 2016 we ordered 400, 14x11 calendars at a cost of \$314.58 (.79 each). For 2015 we ordered 850, 8x11 at a cost of \$493.50 (.59 each). In 2014, we handed out a total of 220 calendars (146 were picked up at City Hall, 32 were delivered to Anchorage Businesses and the Civic Club Welcome Committee handed out 42 to new residents).

This year at Anchorfest we handed out 75 calendars and collected \$53 in donations. We will be delivering 46 calendars to Businesses in Anchorage. Lucy would like to thank Publishers Press for their generous pricing for publishing, The Anchorage Artist Guild for their fabulous artwork, Jane Brown for helping in editing of the artwork and Paul Wessel for picking up the calendars and delivering to Anchorfest.

Forestry Board will hand deliver 2 calendars per artist who had work in the calendar. We had many compliments about the calendar. Next year's calendar will be a smaller size. Bill Wetherton offered to compile a calendar of photos of iron gates in Anchorage. The artists for 2015 calendar would like to display their work. We will ask that they set up at the Arbor Day program with a work that they choose.

Signup is going around of you can deliver to neighbor or friend. Also, Signup to deliver two to each calendar artist.

Canopy: Diane explained that Ursula wanted the October minutes to reflect she wanted to review the Canopy Campaign tree placement specifications because LG&E had been pruning the trees so severely. Andrea says our Canopy guidelines do not need any change because we specify no planting under power lines. The trees that are pruned heavily by LG&E are very old and planted outside the area of the canopy specs.

Nan has a list of Canopy residents, maps, flags, info sheets, instructions for Forestry Members delivering flags, and the list of 62 total trees ordered for the Canopy Campaign. The flags have been sorted for each resident. The Forestry Board members will divide the list and will deliver flags & call BUDS today. Nan will send an email to the residents alerting them that the flags are arriving. Nan and Diane will take care of measuring and painting the flag locations. Andrea said Massey Nursery will deliver trees Nov. 17, 18 to Mike Mason, planter. They will be planted before Thanksgiving,

Arbor Day/ Tree Give Away/Spring Tree Replacement: Diane sent out the list of trees available from a Tennessee supplier, Bouldin Nursery. We plan to order 200-300 trees for the spring tree give away.. Andrea recommended Sue Massey Nursery because they had a large selection of hardy 2 gallon trees. We are paying \$14 per tree from Tennessee. Andrea will ask about Massey prices, and Diane will forward to everyone. Diane will check with Jim about speaker.

Hazardous Trees: no report

Growth Award/ Tree City USA: Lucy shared a handout of plan for the Growth Award. Our expenditures do not count in the evaluation in 2015. Forestry 2014 volunteer hours were valued at \$3,247.00.

Old Business: Don reported the school declined the option of having students clean debris from the Anchorage Trail, and they recommended Boy Scouts or other service organization.

New Business:--We need new tree guards soon. Andrea will ask John Deere may find competitive prices at shows she attends this winter.

--May Wetherby Shrader Jones, an outstanding Anchorage resident, recently passed away in her 90's. Don suggested planting a tree in her memory at a later date. He will coordinate with Bill Juckett.

Anchor Age: Publish a list of artists who's works are featured in the calendar. Remember if you did not pickup your free calendar at AnchorFest they are available, one free per household and \$5 for extras at City Hall.

Adjourned: 10:20. Minutes respectfully submitted by Nan Dryden, Secretary.

Next Meeting: Dec. 7, 2015