Tree Board Meeting August 19, 2014

Present:

- Laura Browning
- Barton Joffrion
- Corey Messina
- Monica Harris
- Trudy Hebert
- Diane Theriot

- Sandy Ostheimer
- Roger Dale Shelton
- Linda Henderson, TPCG Community
- David Luke, Parish Advisor
- Chris Pulaski, Parish Liaison

Opening

The regular meeting of the Terrebonne Parish Tree Board was called to order at 11:40 a.m. on Tuesday, August 19, 2014 in the conference room on the sixth floor of the Terrebonne Consolidated Government Building by Laura Browning, Chair. Sandy Ostheimer offered and invocation.

Motion was made by Trudy Voisin to accept the minutes as presented, second by Sandy Ostheimer. The motion was passed.

Reports

Parish Advisor – Chris discussed the Civic Center planting request. The Civic Center staff would like to replace with same type, between 8-10 feet tall. The Board took no action.

He reviewed the Skate Park planting. Installation of trees will be independent of the parish budget for the project and a Tree Board project. The actual plan for planting is completed and was billed to the 2013 budget. Time frame has completion by February 2015.

He reviewed the South Hollywood Road and landscaping plans at Ellender Parking lot. Dana Brown will design Ellender parking lot. Other partners in the planting, Downtown Development District will absorb other costs The Tree Board \$7,400.00 has \$7,400 allocated for trees.

Finance Report

A request was made to temporarily remove the water service from South Hollywood Road, as there are no plantings remaining at this time.

Publication report

Since the last meeting, the group was completed a tour of the Bayou Black area. Trudy presented information on soliciting printing for the proposed brochures and documents to be used for outreach.

Chair report:

Laura met with Parish President, Michel Claudet and presented end of year report to council. She also reviewed the membership of the Board.

Old Business

David Luke discussed tree calls that came in to him and the resolution of the issues. The tree at 218 Hanson Street, Cypress Village off Bayou Black was scheduled for review by the Ad Hoc committee.

New Business

Motion to remove Jo Ann Kirkpatrick because of two unexcused absences by Diane Theriot, second by Trudy. Joann asked to convey to the Board, her appreciation for the time she spent as a member. In addition, her health and family responsibilities made it impossible to continue to serve on the Board. The motion was carried

Barton discussed that the tree applications from Louisiana Agriculture and Forestry were available online. In other information, Linda Henderson invited everyone to the Farmer's Market at the Courthouse on Saturday mornings. The Best of Bayou Festival was mentioned for the last week in September. Sandy presented information on a Kayak the Bayou project.

Motion to adjourn by Trudy and second by Diane. The motion was carried.

Next meeting – September 16, 2014.

Submitted by

Barton Joffrion, Secretary