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PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT

Tree Advisory Board

January 20, 2015

08:00 P.M.

CALL MEETING TO ORDER

ROLL CALL

The following members of the governing body were present:

Board Members: Patricia Cowan, Larry Miller, Cathi Higgins, Kelly D'Onofrio, Jorge Aponte, Dr. Shamir Ally, and Jan Brown.

Absent: Sidney Sandy, and Bill Smith_ UC Urban Forrester.

Staff Members: Rox Burhans-Planning Assistant Director, Lindze Flowers- GIS Tech/Planner I and Pam Good- Board Secretary

APPROVAL OF MINUTES- October 21st

Cathi Higgins made a motion to approve the minutes of October 21st, motion seconded by Kelly D'Onofrio. Board voted unanimously in favor of the motion.

DISCUSSION ITEMS

A report and update was presented by Staff Lindze Flowers. Staff Flowers passed out the publication that she'd created for invasive and threat species of various trees to the board members. This publication will be used to hand out and also added to the Town's website. She asked for any suggestions from the board regarding the document as presented. She added that she also looked for native species.

No questions were offered.

Motion to approve the document as written, by Member Ally, seconded by Member Brown. The vote to approve was unanimous .

Staff Flowers also reported that the Tree City USA 2014 recertification application submittal has been done. She reported 18 points for our growth award application. That application has been approved.

The notifications are usually within one month of submittal and it was submitted in late December.

Other Discussion:

Staff Burhans stated that the Mayor's Tree Initiative is a great program. Approx 600 4th graders planted trees this past year. He suggested coordinating that program with the Tree Board.

Chair Cowan asked if it going to be the new policy that all packets are going to be mailed or just when they are small. Staff Burhans replied that the packets will be mailed only when there is no case or staff report involved. The intent is to continue to hand deliver a week before the board meets.

ADJOURN

Motion to adjourn by Member Ally, seconded by Member Miller. Adjourned at 8:30pm

Chairman:

Secretary:

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