



## KIRKWOOD URBAN FORESTRY COMMISSION

### MEETING MINUTES

City of Kirkwood

139 S. Kirkwood Road

Kirkwood, MO 63122

February 25, 2014

**Members Present:** David Slane, Michelle Storgion, Joe Day, Andy Baldrige

**Members Absent:** Priscilla Ward

**City Staff Liaison:** Georgia Ragland (Absent)

**City Council Liaison:** Art McDonnell (Present)

**Meeting called to order** at 7:04pm by David Slane.

**Secretary Report** given by David Slane as Priscilla was not present. Minutes from the previous meeting dated January 28<sup>th</sup> were reviewed and approved with a 1<sup>st</sup> motion by Michelle Storgion and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Joe Day.

**Citizen Comments:** no citizens present at this meeting.

**Guest Introduction:** Art McDonnell introduced a potential new applicant for the KUFC Board vacant position... Ellen Edman. Ellen explained her background and interest in our urban forest and her desire to help the City in our efforts to preserve our public trees. She stated that she was just sitting in on this meeting to get a better idea of the position of Board Member. She also expressed her interest in possibly helping with the Junior Tree Keepers program.

**Council Liaison Report:** Art McDonnell presented the City Hall Enhancement Plan that was just presented at the February 20<sup>th</sup> work session.. He stated that this project was under the current budget which would allow for a 10% contingency.

**Junior Treekeepers Program** – Michelle Storgion stated that there is currently nothing new to report.

**Tree City USA Application:** David Slane announced that our application was approved and we have received notice of such from Nick Kuhn with the Missouri Department of Conservation.

**MDC Missouri Arbor Award of Excellence:** David Slane reported that we are still awaiting news to see if the “50 Trees Program” will win this award and that no announcements have been made.

**KUFC Advocate Award:** This was discussed with all Board Members Present and it was suggested that Bill Ruppert be nominated this year. However, Michelle Storgion seemed to think he has already received this award. We all agreed to table this until the next meeting after this has been researched.

**Event Participation:** Greentree Festival and Earth Day... Joe reported that we have procured a table for the April 19<sup>th</sup> Earth Day at the Farmers Market from 10am to 3pm

**Fifty Trees Liaison Report:** David Slane had nothing to report

There was nothing to report under **Old Business** for the street tree inventory program and the tree planting locations.

David Slane reported that our **next meeting** would be on March 25<sup>th</sup> at 7pm at the City Hall Main Conference Room.

Motion to adjourn the meeting made by Andy Baldrige and seconded by Joe Day. **Meeting adjourned at 8:10pm.**

David Slane, Chair \_\_\_\_\_

Priscilla Ward, Secretary \_\_\_\_\_

Date Approved \_\_\_\_\_