



KIRKWOOD URBAN FORESTRY COMMISSION

MEETING MINUTES

City of Kirkwood

139 S. Kirkwood Road

Kirkwood, MO 63122

August 23, 2016

PRESENT: David Slane, Andy Baldrige, Joe Day, Carol Rush, Matthew Stacker, Linda Holekamp, Georgia Ragland, staff liaison and Cory Meyer, City Forester.

ABSENT: Barbara Sandhagen; Paul Ward (council liaison)

GUESTS: Bill Ruppert

Pursuant to notice of meeting duly given, the Kirkwood Urban Forestry Commission convened on August 23, 2016 at Kirkwood City Hall, 139 S. Kirkwood Road, Kirkwood, Missouri.

- I. Call To Order: The meeting was called to order at 7:01pm by David Slane.
- II. Secretary Report: Minutes from the August 2, 2016 meeting were approved as well as the minutes of the subcommittee meeting of August 9, 2016.
- III. Citizen Comments: Bill Ruppert reported that he had been contacted by America In Bloom, a program the City had entered in 2007. They had asked if he would write some articles updating the city's progress relating to its urban forest since that time. Bill offered to write the response using material from the Urban Forestry Commission annual reports.
- IV. Council Liaison Report: None..
- V. Guest Introduction: None.
- VI. ACTIVITY REPORTS
 - a. Junior Treekeepers Program: No report. David Slane will contact Michelle Storgion for information on what may need to be coordinated as the school year begins.
 - b. Education and Outreach: David Slane and Cory Meyer set a date to work on the content for the next utility insert.
 - c. Tree City USA/Growth Award/Other Awards:
 - i. Tree city, USA. Recertification 2016 (Growth award if applicable) Due 12/31/16
 - ii. MDC- Missouri Arbor Award of Excellence: Due 12/01/16
 - iii. KUFC Advocate Award – Due 3/31/2017
 - d. KUFC Annual Report: Due January, 2017
 - e. Event Participation: Joe Day put together a volunteer roster for staffing the booth at Greentree in a few weeks. David Slane is putting together a float.
 - f. Tree Inventory Update: Staff has submitted a TRIM grant application for 2016 to continue the tree inventory.
 - g. Tree Ordinance Subcommittee Report: Cory Meyer plans to bring a draft to the next meeting.

OLD BUSINESS: None.

NEW BUSINESS: Carol Rush expressed an interest in the commission members having t-shirts that identify them as commission members when working Greentree. These would not be at city expense. Other members were also interested so she volunteered to get the t-shirts made.

NEXT MEETING: September 27, 2016 at 7:00 pm Kirkwood City Hall Main Conference Room

ADJOURN: Motion to adjourn at 7:52 pm

David Slane, Chair _____

Date Approved _____