

Oriental Tree Board

Regular Meeting

September 30, 2014

The regular monthly meeting of the Oriental Tree Board was held on Tuesday September 30, 2014 in Town Hall at 9 :00 AM. Those in attendance were Bob Miller chair. Ken King, Bob Andrews, Rob Barefoot, Lynne Kaplan, Toni Leavitt, and Town Manager Diane Miller. Absent Dick Creighton.

Old Business:

The pine across from Lupton Park is under contract for removal on October 14, 2014. The brushing of the bridge oaks is under contract but the work has not been schedule. A list of small dead trees to be removed by the Town Crew was presented by Ken King. A work order for this work will be put in.

Inventory – No new information received on the availability of this software

New Business:

Town Manager Diane Miller requested a tree planting in the back of Town Hall that would shade the generator and heat pumps. The Tree Board visited the site and discussed several options. The Tree Board would like the Town Commissioner's approval of the concept before a final plan is developed.

It is time to be thinking of the planting needs for this winter. Bob Miller will send an article to the local newspaper for public input. Each Tree Board member is encouraged to participate developing planting sites.

Some of the live oaks on South Ave. need to be trimmed to higher clearance for vehicle traffic. This work will be contracted this winter. Tree Board members are encouraged to make note of low hanging branches over streets that have to be done by a contractor.

Town Manager Diane Miller advised Bay River Sewage is in the process of a major renovation to the lift stations at First and Factory and opposite the town beach. The surrounding plantings will have to be trimmed back or removed. Tree Board will do what- ever is necessary when final plans are received.

The Tree Board requested of the Town Manager that before any brushing of drainage ditches by the Town Crew, the Tree Board be notified so they can flag any tree that could be salvaged.

Request received to plant a memorial tree for Doris Bischoff. Bob Miller to investigate the Tree Board policy

Ken King advised 3 lace bark elms and 4 red buds have been purchase because they were on sale. The cost was \$76.00. Material has been purchased to replace the protective collars. Rob Barefoot volunteered to help Ken cut the collars to the proper length

There being no further business Rob Barefoot moved 2<sup>nd</sup> by Lynne Kaplan that the meeting be adjourned.

Respectfully Submitted,

Robert T. Andrews

Secretary