

PARKS & TREES COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES – October 4, 2016

Members Present: Maureen Renault, Barb Willens, Thelma Rutledge

Members Absent: Mary Sue Truesdale, Bob Williams, Jane Miller and Diana Wenman

Staff Present: Liz Gilland, Urban Forester

<u>NEXT SCHEDULED MEETING:</u> November 1, 2016 at 4:00pm at Kendall Lake Clubhouse

The meeting was opened at 4:05 p.m. by Liz. The minutes from the September 2016 meeting were NOT reviewed as we did not have a quorum.

CITY UPDATE:

Tour des Trees / Arbor Day – big to do. October 13^{th} Need everyone who is available to help at the Steeplechase Museum by 4 - 4:15pm to help set up.

Chestnut Hills subdivision – Tree removal complete. Next step is to have potential tree planting sites marked for utility locations.

Arborist Intern – may be hiring a student part time in the coming weeks

LLBR – The benches have been ordered for Brenda and Joe Sullivan and Jim McGuirt. Staff is still trying to schedule Mary Clarks' dedication ceremony.

OLD BUSINESS

Parks Inventory & Needs List – Deferred discussion until the November meeting

Margot Rochester Landscape Award Program – Barb mentioned that the Kershaw County Master Gardeners were not able to take on any more responsibilities or commitments at this time. Thelma mentioned that the Florentine Garden Club may be interested. She will check with the members and report back to the group.

Leader's Legacy Bench Recognition Program – It was suggested that staff consider revising the policy to more accurately reflect the actual cost of the bench and associated expenses of hosting a dedication ceremony.

NEW BUSINESS

Citizen Survey for Parks – A brief discussion was held on the types of questions we should include in the survey. Maureen will present further information regarding this at the next meeting.

With no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 4:35PM.

Respectfully submitted by Liz Gilland, Camden Urban Forester