

**FAIRVIEW MUNICIPAL TREE COMMISSION
MINUTES**

Meeting, Tuesday, 07 October 2014
7:00 pm

1. Chairperson, Debby Rainey called the October 2014 meeting to order at 7:00 PM.
2. Roll was taken. A quorum was present.
In attendance: Debby Rainey, Chairperson; Larry Richards–Vice Chairperson; Jack Cannon; Mike Berkley, City Arborist; Jane Woodall, Secretary.
Absent: Beverly Totty, Mayor; Stuart Johnson, Vice Mayor; Lisa Anderson, Planning Commission Chairperson.
Guests: City Manager, Wayne Hall; Frank Humber, City Codes Manager
3. Approval of Agenda: JWoodall noted that it was asked to add an item to discuss the wording change in the Tree Bank Ordinance to the agenda. JCannon moved to approve the agenda as amended; LRichards seconded the motion. The Board voted to approve the agenda for the October 2014 meeting as amended; none opposed.
4. Approval of Minutes: LRichards moved to approve the minutes of the previous meeting; JCannon seconded the motion. The Board approved the minutes for the September 2014 meeting as is; none opposed.
5. Old Business
 - 5.1. Bowie Commons noncompliance – There is no additional progress at this point. Follow-up deferred to November 2014 meeting.
 - 5.2. Mapco Property noncompliance – There is no additional progress at this point. Since this property is also held by PGM, follow-up on this is also deferred to the November 2014 meeting.
 - 5.3. Walmart Landscape – Follow-up on landscape compliance. There is no progress at this point. Follow-up deferred to November 2014 meeting.
 - 5.4. Dead trees on City Hall Property – Follow-up on any decisions on species consideration/selection for replacement trees and for “companion” evergreen Christmas tree.
WHall again noted that the decorating of the Christmas tree on the property was turned over to the city from the Chamber of Commerce. MBerkley shared that he has found a Burkii cedar (same species as the current tree in front of City Hall) of the same size for \$275. WHall gave MBerkley the tentative approval to purchase the tree and WHall will determine who will plant the tree.
Regarding the species to replace the 7 dead trees, MBerkley had some ideas on some species and planting areas and will present a tree list to the Tree Commission at the November meeting.
 - 5.5. Proposed BOC change in the Tree Bank Ordinance – update on any BOC discussion. This item was combined with the New Business Item # 6.2 below. See that items for discussion and action taken.
 - 5.6. Orchard trees for the Community Garden – Follow-up on any suggestions for species/varieties. The current marking for tree placement for these trees is not satisfactory. IT is uncertain if the Tree Bank funds can fund at this time due to current wording. See also New Business Item # 6.2 below for additional discussion and action taken.
6. New business:
 - 6.1. Consideration for re-scheduling November 2014 meeting since currently falls on Election Day. Since the polls close at 7:00, the general consensus of the members was to keep the current meeting time. LRichards made a motion to keep the time as it stands for 04 November 2014 at 7:00. JCannon seconded the motion. The Board approved the motion; none opposed. FHumber will send a reminder to PGE properties of the meeting and their items on the agenda.

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- 6.2. Change in wording of the Tree Bank Ordinance: There was general discussion that the Tree Bank funds should not be used for on easements (as proposed by the BOC change in wording) and that "Federal" lands would be more appropriate wording that "property of ... the United States of America." The Tree Board also suggested including "located within *and within 50 feet adjacent to* the Corporate Boundaries" (change in wording noted in italics). This second suggestion would allow for the orchard trees on the school property to be covered as well as on other properties that may need a barrier planting. The final proposed wording was:
- "13-409 **Community tree plan and tree bank**. There is hereby created a City of Fairview, Tennessee tree bank account. The purpose of the City of Fairview, Tennessee tree bank account is to designate a specific, separate City budget account line item which shall contain the City of Fairview, Tennessee tree bank account funds. Said funds in this account are to be used solely and entirely to provide landscaping on publicly owned **property of the City of Fairview, of Williamson County, of the State of Tennessee or of Federal lands located within or within 50 feet adjacent to the Corporate Boundaries of the City of Fairview, Tennessee, and for no other purpose.**"
- JCannon made the motion for the wording change. JWoodall seconded the motion. The Board approved; none opposed. The wording change was provided to BTotty via email for presentation to the BOC.
7. Update on Tree Bank Funds – WHall reported that \$98,342.45 in the fund. WHall noted that MBerkley has been paid for the three (3) paw paw trees for Bowie Nature Park. The funds have been appropriated for the fruit trees.
8. Citizen Comments: There were no citizen comments.
9. Adjournment: With no further business, DRainey adjourned the meeting at 8:00 PM. The next scheduled meeting will be 04 November 2014.