

**MINUTES OF THE  
ANCHORAGE FORESTRY BOARD  
April 6, 2009**

**Attendees:** Andrea, Diane, Hap, Connie, Jim, Mark, Ann, Alice (for Hazardous Tree discussion).

**Minutes:** March minutes were read and approved.

**Budget:** No report. Only expenditure was \$298 for printing of Tree Order Forms by C & R Graphics and \$25 postage, totaling \$323. Diane reported that the Forestry Board Budget may be decreased next year because of unexpected expenses due to storms.

**Calendar Project:** Nan has received 3 photos from residents. Bill is recommending an e-mail to everyone, reminding them of the contest and also saying that submitted entries can be seen at City Hall. Bill feels that submissions will increase with the warm spring weather. He has many pictures throughout the fall and winter months and will provide back-up photos, if needed. Sally's husband is obtaining and having engraved a mint julep cup for the calendars' financial underwriter. Jim will contact him to confirm that he will again be providing support for the 2010 calendar.

**Nursery:** A northern nursery, previously being considered for Treeliners, has proven to be too expensive. Other nurseries are being considered, one in Tennessee. Orders will be placed in May or June to be delivered for the fall tree give-away. Mark and Andrea will recommend species which will range from 4 to 8 feet in size.

**"The Anchor Age" Newsletter:** It was recommended that we thank those who participated in the tree campaign. Also make mention that an Arbor Day program on identifying hazardous trees is going to be offered to residents sometime in the fall. More details to follow later.

**Canopy Campaign:** Brent Wearren, the contractor for the supplying and planting of trees was contacted by Diane at the end of March and said he would start planting around the first of April. He was contacted prior to the meeting and asked again and he said "soon". Residents will have a 2-3 days notice. A large crew will be employed which Brent said would help to complete the planting in 2-3 days. When the planting date is determined, all residents will be sent an e-mail. Diane added that man flags had been placed too close to the street while only a few were placed outside the designated canopy area. Diane notified those residents and the canopy flags were properly placed.

**Hazard Trees:** Alice joined the meeting and gave a progress report. There are 79 trees to be contracted out for removal, a number of which are large, exceeding 40 inches in diameter. The bids are to be in by this Friday. City Council will review the bids and select the contractor at their next meeting. Removal should begin soon after.

**Arbor Day:** An educational program on identifying hazardous trees is planned for late summer or early fall. A late afternoon program may receive better attendance as it would not conflict with the work day. Andrea envisioned a brief talk followed by a "walk-around" of some streets to see examples of hazardous trees.

**Anchorage Pride:** Diane stated that she needed a person to head up the section of Ridge Road from Bellewood to Evergreen. Hap volunteered to take that area and recruit residents to help with pruning, clean-up, etc.

**Old Business:** None

**New Business:** None

**Next Meeting:** May 4, 2009 at 9:30 A.M.