

# FORESTRY BOARD

## Minutes

August 3, 2009

**Attendees:** Hap, Andrea, Jim, Tyleen, Diane, Ann, Mike.

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

**Budget:** Copies of the Forestry Board 2010 budget and 2009 income statement was passed out. Highlights of the report showed, (a) \$27,000 proposed budget for the upcoming year; (b) cash on hand of \$6,674; and (c) 2009 income of \$12,148 and expenses of \$11,396 resulting in a surplus of \$752 for the 2009 budget year.

**Calendar Project:** The selection of calendar photos will begin late August with the calendar draft anticipated to be delivered to the publisher in early October. In the future, any gifts given in appreciation of work done on the calendar or any other project by outside parties will be given in a more appropriate timing, preferably shortly after a project is completed.

**Nursery:** Since at this time we do not have a tree nursery per se, a recommendation was made that we rename the Nursery as Nursery Fall Tree Giveaway.

**Anchor-age Newsletter:** Diane will meet with Sally as to any news items. A need to mention the upcoming Arbor Day Program.

**Canopy Campaign:** No new business.

**Hazard Trees:** Probably in late September the Forestry Board will start making a list of suspicious trees to be given to the City Arborist for evaluation.

**Arbor Day:** The Arbor Day Hazardous Tree Program is scheduled for Wednesday, September 16<sup>th</sup>. Mark and Andrea will conduct the program which will start at 6:00 p.m. at City Hall. Around 6:30, the program will move outdoors to view some examples of hazardous trees and what they look for when identifying them. Notice of the event will be included in the "Anchor Age" and an e-mail from City Hall along with the request to RSVP in order to determine the number of attendees. A 3 X 12 foot banner will be purchased for \$165. Banacom will make any minimal changes each year for \$15 and change dates for free. Diane had received quotes from at least 3 other companies.

**Anchorage Pride:** Tyleen reported that the dogwoods at the Owl Creek Lane and Walnut triangle look bad and perhaps someone could look at them.

**Old Business:** Although the Lakeland Nursery no longer has trees in it, the Forestry Board could plant "treeliners" on a temporary basis if any are left after the Fall Tree Give-away. The question arose as to whether we need to have an active nursery to maintain our Tree City, USA status. Andrea and Diane will check on it.

**New Business:** The state of the Dogwoods at the School was discussed. Of all the trees planted three (3) years ago, around 5 are dead or dying. It was discussed that the school needs to take some responsibility for maintaining them since they were donated and the Board coordinated the planting at no cost. The Board even loaned them Treegators to help in caring for the newly planted trees.

**Next Meeting:** October 5, 2009 at 9:30 A.M.

**Meeting Adjourned.**

