

**ANCHORAGE  
FORESTRY BOARD  
MINUTES**

**June 2, 2008**

**Attendees:** Hap Dunford, Ellen Guthrie, Mike Brewer, Jim Williams, Andrea Hanlon, Mike Brewer, Diane McAllister, Sally Wilson, and Tyleen Stout.

**March Minutes:** Minutes were approved.

**Budget:** No new report.

**Canopy:** All the canopy trees were planted. Some which went to Hobbs Chapel had to wait until the storm clean up was completed. Those planted on City property are being watered by TreeGators today by maintenance. Erwin Booth asked if any board members might be able to assist in the watering in the future when they might not have the time, pending City Hall approval.

**Nursery:** With the relocation of the Lakewood Nursery, because of the path under construction, all the young seedlings and trees must be moved. Diane will check with Evergreen Real Estate to determine when the move must occur. If soon, many of the trees could be lost. Ideally, if any of the trees not directly in the path could wait until late fall, the survival rate would greatly improve.

**Calendar:** No new report. Jim and Ann are scheduling with the city photographer to meet and look over photos in June.

**Hazard Trees:** It was noted that some trees marked for removal still stand. Homeowner education about the process in the form of a public meeting with Mark Timmons, the City arborist, and possible John McGarvey, the City Attorney, would be helpful. The idea of an appeal process was raised.

**Arbor Day:** Mike presented a summary report on the May 17 Arbor Day Project in which board members and local volunteers cleaned the path adjacent to the soccer field. The project was successful and Mike was commended for his effective planning, organization, and coordination. In Brad's absence Diane reported on the Arbor Day Project he coordinated in labeling many of the trees on the school property. Beautiful, non-obtrusive tags were applied to the trunk of trees, with a spacer between the tree and label so as not to harm the tree. Anchorage School is the only state school to date with an outdoor classroom of this kind in which children can learn to identify trees and their leaves.

**Anchorage Pride:** Diane has contacted all team leaders about their respected areas with the goal being to maintain and not re-landscape.

**Anchor Age:** Topic covered will be the two Arbor Day Projects, the tree identification and marking of trees at school, and the clean up of the school trail with the placement of new wood chips along the trail. Also people will be informed of the importance of TreeGators and their availability at City Hall for \$20.00 each.

**Old Business:** No old business was discussed.

**New Business:** Written plans on major projects: 1) Diane would like the chair for each project to write an outline that covered a project from start to finish. The report should include all outside contact parties involved, crucial time dates as to when to start planning, when contacts are made, disbursements to outside parties, non-board members involved, necessary notices in Anchor Age or e-mail communications to residents, etc. This should include any information that would make it possible for someone new to be able to chair and complete any project.

2) All disbursements for Forestry Board expenditures must follow the procedure requested at City Hall with a PO number and approval for expenditures from board chair prior to expense.

3) It was noted that a long-time board member, Bill Shipley, is recovering from a fall and is at the Episcopal Home on Westport Road.

4) Diane will talk to Peg Revell about a plaque for the tree for Doc Wagner and Bill Shipley. A dedication service will be planned.

**Next Meeting:** July 7, 2008, 9:30 a.m.