

Tree Commission
Thursday, January 25, 2018
7:00 PM
Public Works Department – Conference Room
Minutes

Attendees: Phil Butto; Dave Faiman; Harry South; Tom Munn, Arborist; Alex Kelemen, City Council Liaison

Guest(s): Charlie Walton

Absent: Jerry Unroe, Chairman; Dan Szoch; Marilyn Olzmann, Hudson Garden Club Liaison

Minutes Approval: Minutes of the October 26, 2017 meeting were read and approved.

Public Comment: Mr. Walton is on the Holden Arboretum Board of Directors working on the Cleveland tree plan, wishes to learn about Hudson tree plan, and offers assistance.

Reports/Presentations

1. City Council Liaison
 - Pasco new city administration building. New city walking trails in the planning stages, from Owen Brown to Veterans Way trailhead to Case and then along golf course behind Nicholson to Barlow Road to Terex.
 - Phase 2 downtown development plans on Hudson city website.
 - Request for tree commission goals for City Council retreat discussion.
 - North Main tree planting discussion

2. Hudson Garden Club Liaison
 - No discussion

3. Urban Forestry - City Arborist
 - Tree planting begins in April 2018.
 - Friday, March 9 at Lakeland Community College presentation open to Commission members
 - 2018 year of change due to Pasco move, Phase 2, Koberna clearing and development discussion.
 - Arbor Day location to be determined, possibly Montessori.

4. Commission Discussion
 - A. Old Business
 - None, tabled until Jerry or Dan are available.

B. New Business

- Comparison of Cleveland 30% urban tree canopy goal with Hudson 41% canopy and tree plan, and introduction to National Arbor Day Foundation Tree “Health” USA.
- Consideration of setting goals for urban forestry in Hudson, and how and what to fund. Dead tree removals first.
- Winter pruning now is best economically and biologically. Great article for letter to the editor.

Closure to meeting:

Next meeting is scheduled for Thursday, February 22 at 7:00 p.m. in the conference room of Public Works.

Meeting adjourned at 8:30 p.m.

Minutes were submitted by Thomas Munn, City Arborist

Dan Szoch, Tree Commission member _____