

Tree Commission
Thursday, October 28, 2010
7:00 PM
Public Works Department – Conference Room
Minutes

Attendees: Jerry Unroe, co- chairman; Linda O'Neil, co-chairman; LouAnn Hanink; John Logan; Curt VanBlarcum; Sonya Mottram, administrative support supervisor; Tom Munn, city arborist; and Hal DeSaussure, council liaison

Absent: John Logan

Guest: Pat Snyder, Hudson Garden Club; James Hackney, Destination Hudson

Minutes Approval:

Minutes of the September 30, 2010 meeting were read and approved.

Public Comment:

- Mr. DeSaussure recapped the City Council Workshop discussion regarding N. Main St. trees and planter plan. Mr. DeSaussure suggested a \$30,000 range target and also discussed the city's obligation and responsibility for a portion part of this cost. There is some support for the proposed raised tree planters. Tree Commission will formulate and provide a recommendation for City Council discussion. Recommendation targeted for February 2011 workshop agenda.
- Mr. Hackney suggested a phased in approach using a variety of planters and keeping existing trees healthy. Ideas included a variety of planters south of Clinton, planting sustainable, low maintenance plants, and planter width smaller than a car width to avoid pedestrian/parking conflicts.

Reports/Presentations:

1. Plan Reviews/Comments from Community Development:

New Business – None
Old Business – None

2. Urban Forestry- City Arborist:

New Business
- Tree Commission moved to form a sub-committee to focus on the planter plan. Planter Plan Committee formed: Munn–chairman, Van Blarcum, Hackney and Snyder.
- Hudson is applying for U.S. Forest Service Ash Tree Canopy Removal/Replacement Grant.
Old Business – None


3. Commission Discussion:

New Business
- N. Main St. streetscape – Mr. VanBlarcum will be in contact with Sherry Beam, Liz Murphy and Destination Hudson.
- Mr. Unroe discussed Brandywine Watershed Committee, remedial action plan, and storm water ordinance review.
Old Business – None

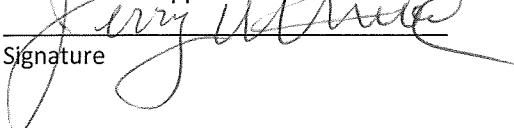
Meeting adjourned at 9:00 pm

Next meeting is scheduled for December 2, 2010.

Minutes were taken by:


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