

Tree Board Minutes for Tuesday June 8, 2010

City Council Chambers at 4:00 p.m.

1. A quorum was established by 4:00 p.m., so Joe opened the meeting; the May 11th minutes were approved as sent by email and no guests were present. Other members present were Leonard, Kathy, and Norma. Joy was representing the City Council, Mariah and Theresa were representing AmeriCorps and Judy recorded these minutes.

2. Old Business

- AmeriCorps – Mariah told of the Community Foundation grant they received for a Books and Breakfast program for next year. Mariah thought four AmeriCorps might be coming to Entiat next year, but her Vista position has been eliminated. She isn't sure what she will be doing (applications out), but Theresa will be the Head Start person in Goldendale. Joe restated that we enjoyed working with this team.
- Joy shared City Council information. She reported a new house being built in the Ridge at 2 Rivers development. PUD Entiat Parks project work is slow, but progressing. Park Board working on new ball park and trail design. City Council member replacement interviews later this evening. If Bill gets the position he will have to resign from Tree & Park Boards.
- Judy reminded members to update their Time sheets for Tree City Re-certification.
- Kiwanis Park meeting with Mike & Mark was held Thursday, June 3rd. It was decided to meet at 9:00 a.m. on our July 13th Tree Board meeting day for staking out sites & tree types. Kathy wondered about Park Board involvement. Joy explained most work outside of Entiat, so only available in evenings. Judy will share minutes – notices with Candy again (have her share theirs), so both boards can be aware of projects.
- There is a Thursday June 10th deadline if you have changes to the red lined Landscape Ordinance emailed to all by Susan or the Tree Standards manual. Edits discussed at our May 24th Tree meeting were handed out and have been given to the City for revised edition (edits or tree list changes same deadline).

3. New Business

- No Tree Board volunteers spoke up for manning the Fire Interpretative Center this summer on Fridays or Sundays, but Mariah said AmeriCorps still have hours to donate. Judy will put her in contact with John.
- Joe let members know that \$3,000 of the Pocket Park Grant is in city hands to spend. Bob reminded by Susan today, Kathy (our rep) waiting to hear a time to meet. We feel a need to begin so will try for a Park Board volunteer again, but then have Bob go ahead and start.
- Joe says a Scout is looking over the Link bus extension site and Cathy Montgomery feels he could start in September.
- All felt we have enough work (weeding & pruning lately) so no other summer projects will be lined up.
- Summerfest is Sat. June 19th, even though we have no booth, come and support the Chamber and enjoy a community event.

4. Member Reports/Comments

Bill – absent

Kathy – gave an Arbor Day Committee report. She listed \$ collected from each community (ours down – Manson's high). The Committee is a nonprofit and has a \$20,810 ending balance. They donated trees to Entiat this year and plan a pilot project next year at the Orondo School with students to use funds in our communities. They elected officers – Deanna is new President, our Kathy is vice president, Patti is secretary and Bill is treasurer. A tree selection committee was formed and will look for more urban yard type trees versus native plantings for next year.

Leonard – while walking noticed the tree in the barrel in front of the Log Cabin is stressed. He was told it isn't a tree the Tree Board planted, but it is on city property. He will talk to the owner.

Bob – absent

Norma – nothing to add

Marie – absent

Others – Joy has some Rose of Sharon starts – just call her if interested.

Joe – members have been looking at some wooden objects in the Oriental Trading Catalog for outreach projects. It was moved and approved that we can order some to have on hand.

5. Joe adjourned the meeting at 5:02 p.m.

P.S. Next meeting will be 9:00 a.m. on July 13th at Kiwanis Park. Members agreed to cancel our August meeting and that our September 14th meeting will be a picnic potluck at the city park.