



# TREE ADVISORY PANEL MEETING MINUTES

**MEETING DATE:** January 12<sup>th</sup>, 2017

**LOCATION:** Oxford Recreation Center

<b>PANEL MEMBERS &amp; ATTENDANCE:</b>			
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> COUNCIL WARD 1 -	LEBEN MCCORMICK	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> BUSINESS -	REBECCA KOETTER
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> COUNCIL WARD 2 -	CHRISTINE SOUTTER	<input type="checkbox"/> FRIENDS OF PARKS & TRAILS -	JEANNE WEIGUM
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> COUNCIL WARD 3 -	GLORIA ZAIGER	<input type="checkbox"/> PARKS COMMISSION -	ERICK GOODLOW
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> COUNCIL WARD 4 -	EMILY MUMFORD	<input type="checkbox"/> PARKS & RECREATION, DESIGN -	DAVE RONZANI
<input type="checkbox"/> COUNCIL WARD 5 -	VACANT	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> PARKS & RECREATION, FORESTRY -	CY KOSEL
<input type="checkbox"/> COUNCIL WARD 6 -	VACANT	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> PARKS & RECREATION, FORESTRY -	DANIEL ANDERSON
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> COUNCIL WARD 7 -	DAVID MURPHY	<input type="checkbox"/> PRIVATE TREE SERVICE -	JONATHAN HEATON
<input type="checkbox"/> AT LARGE MEMBER -	VACANT	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> UNIVERSITY OF MINNESOTA -	CHAD GIBLIN

**GUESTS:** Jane Carlstrom, Catherine Smith, and Barb Spears. Sarah Jarman - unassigned member at the time of meeting.

**CALLED TO ORDER:** 6:03 PM

**MINUTES REVIEWED:** November 10<sup>th</sup> and December 8<sup>th</sup>, 2016, minutes were reviewed and approved.

**ANNOUNCEMENTS & GENERAL BUSINESS:**

New members David Murphy and Sarah Jarman were welcomed. David is the new Ward 7 representative and Sarah is the new Ward 1 representative; Leben McCormick moved to share the Private Tree Service panel member position.

Emily Mumford announced that she is the new MnSTAC Local Tree Board Member representative.

Barb Spears announced that this is her last meeting but she is sure that she will see everyone around at other events and meetings.

Gloria Zaiger brought up that she is hearing concern about tree removals on the golf courses. The panel discussed the issue and Gloria stated that she would look into getting some updated information out to the Highland neighborhood online forum.

Emily Mumford asked about volunteer plantings for the trees that were removed for EAB on the golf courses and Cy Kosel explained that replanting is on hold at the moment in response to the temporary loss of replanting money due to the City's budgetary concerns. Cy stated that he will share any information that he gets with regard to replanting with the panel.

Cy Kosel mentioned that Forestry is pursuing a possible future DNR grant for planting trees.

It was announced that the Shade Tree Short Course is rapidly approaching and that panel members could receive an enrollment discount by indicating their participation in TAP on the application.

Ward 3 applications were reviewed and discussed with the panel voting for and approving of Greg Nayman, a landscape designer and musician who studied forestry and horticulture at the U of MN. Greg's application was given to Cy Kosel to be processed by the City for official approval to the panel.

Ward 6 applications were reviewed and discussed with the panel voting for and approving of Catherine Smith, who is educated in horticulture, urban forestry and English and has more than a decade experience in the green industry. Catherine's application was given to Cy Kosel to be processed by the City for official approval to the panel.

Applications for the At Large Member were reviewed and discussed with the panel voting for and approving Jane Carlstrom, a retired audiologist from U of MN, a Ramsey County Master Gardener, and a MN Tree Care Advisor. Jane's application was given to Cy Kosel to be processed by the City for official approval to the panel.

Gloria Zaiger announced that she will look into finding a public forum for Ward 5 to post information about the open seat on the panel.

Panel leadership was discussed with no resolution. The City of Saint Paul's representative will lead the February meeting with the meeting's purpose to be to establish the panel leadership by voting in the Chair and Vice-chair.

**MEMBER UPDATES:**

Barb Spears reminded the panel members that the panel still needs to assess accomplishments from 2016 and to look forward for the coming year and develop a plan for action.

Chris Soutter and Rebecca Koetter both announced that the next Tree Trivia event was to be held on January 24<sup>th</sup> at 7pm at Tin Whiskers. This will be the last event hosted by Eric North.

Rebecca will pick up and present the TAP display board and various information pamphlets at the trivia event.

**ADJOURNED: 7:20 PM**