



Tree Advisory Panel

Meeting Minutes

MEETING DATE: December 8th, 2016

LOCATION: Member Residence - Emily Mumford

PANEL MEMBERS & ATTENDANCE:	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Leben McCormick, Council Ward 1	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Eric North, University of Minnesota
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Christine Soutter, Council Ward 2	<input type="checkbox"/> Jen Gehlhar, Chair, At Large Member
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Gloria Zaiger, Council Ward 3	<input type="checkbox"/> Jonathan Heaton, Private Tree Service
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Barb Spears, Vice Chair, Council Ward 4	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Rebecca Koetter, Business
<input type="checkbox"/> Vacant, Council Ward 5	<input type="checkbox"/> Erick Goodlow, Parks Commission
<input type="checkbox"/> Vacant, Council Ward 6	<input type="checkbox"/> Dave Ronzani, Parks & Recreation—Design
<input type="checkbox"/> Vacant, Council Ward 7	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Daniel Anderson, Forestry/Panel Facilitator
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Jeanne Weigum, Friends of Parks & Trails	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Emily Mumford, Private Tree Service

ADDITIONAL FORESTRY STAFF: Cy Kosel

Meeting called to order: 6:45 pm

Review Minutes: Minutes were reviewed but not approved.

Announcements:

The December meeting was held at Emily Mumford’s house for the TAP holiday party. Everyone expressed their appreciation to Emily for her and her family’s generosity and welcome.

David Murphy and Sarah Jarman were approved as members and would be invited to start their terms in January.

Certificates of appreciation were awarded to Jen Gehlhar and Barb Spears for their contributions to TAP. Barb was also issued an official resolution of appreciation by TAP for all her accomplishments while serving as a member and leader on the Panel.

Forestry Update:

Cy Kosel notified the members of the budgetary issues in Forestry with the loss of the Right of Way assessments. Due to these issues Forestry will not be able to do any of the additional work that was being planned for, including the increase in EAB management.

Member Updates:

Eric North announced that the December 8th TAP meeting would be his last meeting. He will be leaving TAP to focus on other duties in preparation for his move to a new position. Eric updated the group on MailChimp usage and indicated that he would pass on the site administrator credentials to another TAP member. Eric will be sharing his notes and questions for the Tree Trivia events to TAP so that the Panel may continue the trivia events.

Gloria Zaiger announced that she will most likely be leaving TAP soon to focus on other areas of community service.

The Panel decided to post all available open member position information on the TAP Facebook site and share that information with MnSTAC.

Bar Spears reminded the members that the January meeting would be her last and that members needed to think about leadership so that it could be addressed at the January meeting.

Adjourn: 7:45 pm