Tree Committee Meeting

January 19, 2023 3 p.m. Conference Room at City Hall

Members present: May Moss Parker, Craig Tappan (left at 3:42 p.m.), Joanne Hogan, Paul Fontenot, Jamie Rollins, Knox McMurphy, and Corey Martin (left at 4:14 p.m.). Absent: Skip Jones. Gayle Fogarty took minutes. Guests: Paige Crawford, Courtney McDonald & Gary Gover

Paul Fontenot called the meeting to order. The minutes from the meeting held on November 10, 2022, were reviewed and approved, motioned by Corey Martin and 2nd by Jamie Rollins and unanimously carried.

New Business:

Paul Fontenot informed the members that Patrick Waldrop resigned from the Tree Committee.

Paige Crawford informed the committee of when the Arbor Day poster contest judging would be held, February 3, 2023. Fairhope West Elementary School at 9:30 a.m., J. Larry Newton at 10 a.m. and Fairhope East Elementary School at 10:30 a.m., she invited all members to attend. Jamie Rollins informed the committee that he has completed the paperwork for Tree City USA and is waiting to hear back on the City's status of being named a Tree City USA. Paul Fontenot inquired about asking Beau Brodbeck to present the Tree City award to the City during the Arbor Day program. May Moss Parker stated that she has 10 volunteers available to assist with Arbor Day. There was general discussion among the members regarding identifying treasured trees, heritage trees, the tree ordinance and cutting down trees.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 4:14 p.m.