

Tree Committee Meeting

January 9, 2020

3 p.m.

Conference Room, City Hall

Members present: Patrick Waldrop, Paul Fontenot, Greg Wittendorfer, Craig Tappan, Skip Jones Paul Merchant (left at 3: 35p.m.) and Richard Johnson (arrived at 3: 35p.m). Absent: Jay Robinson and Joanne Hogan. Gayle Fogarty took minutes. Guests: Courtney McDonald and Paige Crawford

Paul Fontenot called the meeting to order at 3:06 p.m. The minutes from the meeting held on October 17, 2019 were reviewed and approved, 1st motion by Skip Jones and 2nd by Patrick Waldrop and unanimously carried.

Paul Fontenot introduced Stacy Howell to the Tree Committee members. Paul informed Stacey that the Wisteria Garden Club is responsible for the Treasured Tree program and presents the award each year during the Arbor Day program. Stacey informed the committee members that she would be out of town during the 2020 Arbor Day program. Patrick Waldrop stated that he can present the award this year in her absence. Patrick added that they would work together and discuss the Treasured Tree program.

Patrick Waldrop informed the committee members that packaging of the seedlings for Arbor Day will be held on February 7, 2020 at 10 a.m. at the City of Fairhope Pecan building.

There was general discussion among the committee members regarding the program and what trees will be given out during Arbor Day. Patrick informed the members that there is a vacancy on the Tree Committee, he suggested Steve Lyda, a resident from Silverhill as a potential applicant to fill the vacancy.

There was general discussion with Richard Johnson and the committee regarding the trees throughout town.

There was general discussion among the committee members as to which business would receive a 2020 Arbor Day Beautification Award. The committee selected the following businesses:

1 -

Community Bank

206 North Greeno Road

For Outstanding Architectural Structure and Tree Preservation

#2 –

Century Bank

861 Edwards Avenue

For Exceptional Consideration in Siting the Building and
for Outstanding Architectural and Landscape Design

#3 –

Portico

561 Fairhope Ave

For Exceptional Use of Environmental
Practices in a Large Commercial Structure

#4 –

Fairhope Inn

63 South Church Street

For Exceptional Attention to Appearance of Existing Historic Structure and Improvements to the Overall Hardscape and Landscape

#5 –

The Citizens Bank

104 Section Street

For Exceptional Attention to Appearance of Existing Historic Structure as part of a Major Expansion of the Structure and Overall Landscape

The meeting adjourned at 5 p.m.