1. Approval of November 12, 2020 TAB Minutes

Documents:

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2. Foresters Report
   Presented by Forester Charles Orlowski

3. Chairpersons Report
   Presented by Council Chair Nancy Moore

   - Bank of America Grant Application
   - Arbor Day planting location
   - Hermes and Dominion Energy donations for Lower Lake 2020 Planting project

4. Master Tree Plan Background
   Presented by Director Speese

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CALL TO ORDER – 4:00pm
Nancy Moore, Council Chair

Introduction to Heritage Tree Award Winners and thanks to Dr. Mostade for his donation for the October 4th Tree Planting as well as for the Arbor Day Magnolia trees at Southerly Park. We viewed a power point of the Heritage trees and the winners each talked a little about their trees. Friends of Lower Lake John Barber and Peggy Spaeth spoke about the 300+ Year old oak tree (the Goofy Tree) in Lower Lake that was also awarded the Heritage Tree Award even though it fell down during the September 13th microburst storm.

APPROVAL OF August 13, 2019 MEETING MINUTES
Nancy Moore, Council Chair

Council Chair Moore asked if there were any questions, changes or additions to the August 13, 2019, minutes. There were none, a motion was made by Council Member Williams, it was seconded and the motion carried.
FORESTER’S REPORT
Charles Orlowski, Superintendent of Forestry
Forester Orlowski stated that city crews have pruned over 2,000 trees and removed 471 trees between both city crews and contracted work. We also closed 621 work orders from resident concerns and needs. Forester Orlowski explained that from the state forester he learned that if we want to get on a six year rotation for tree pruning we need to prune almost 18 miles of linear road a year and so far this year we have pruned 13 miles.

The board members and citizens praised the Public Works department for their quick response and hard work during the September 13th microburst storm that caused so much damage to the entire city and around the Lower Lake area. They mentioned that it was amazing how the forestry department got the streets cleared so quickly and was able to get the park cleared enough in such a short time.

John Barber and Patty Spaeth stating there was no delay in the October 4th planting event. Forester Orlowski thanked all that attended and especially CCS&W for supplying all the tools.

CHAIRPERSON’S REPORT
Nancy Moore, Council Chair
Council Chair Moore discussed the October 4th planting and its success. She noted that this was our first really big collaboration with TAB.

Council Chair Moore mentioned how the TAB is not funding from any source and that the tree assessment is for the maintenance of the tree lawn trees budgets is limited legally to be used for that. She mentioned that she has worked on making a tree fund and was not successful. Council Chair Moore stated how she will work closely with Council Member Ann Williams who will be the Sustainability Committee Chair next year.

Council Chair Moore discussed another collaboration prospect with John Barber and Peggy Spaeth who talked about a challenge grant. She stated that she went to Doan Brook Watershed Partnership and asked if there were any grants that could be leverage for challenge grants. They advised her that the Friends of Lower Lake just received a $5,500 grant from Western Reserve Land Conservancy and Dominion Energy Ohio.

Patty Spaeth advised that they applied for plant material, native plants, trees and shrubs, some tools and seasonal help. Council Chair Moore stated that Doan Brook went back to the Dominion/Western Reserve Land Conservancy to see if they would allow their grant to be used as a challenge grant if matching funds were available and gave permission. She mentioned that they are challenging the Hermes Foundation to match the grant. Dr. Jeffery Mostade of the Hermes Foundation stated that they would be interested and hoped to make it an annual challenge.

Forester Orlowski then presented Dr. Jeffrey Mostade with a Proclamation from the Mayor for the Donations he made for tree planting at Southerly Park and Lower Lake. John Barber mentioned how the Forestry crew gave quick hands on course in tree planting to the volunteers.
Council Chair Moore asked if there are any changes to the letter she sends to the Mayor of the TAB accomplishments of 2019 and goals for 2020.

Council Chair Moore discussed discontinuing the Poster and PoeTree Contest and, per Forester Orlowski’s idea, to replace it with a winter tree hike identification course with the high school kids. However, after speaking with Jean Whimer from the school, although she would love to collaborate, she mentioned that the AP environmental course had the tree ID portion in September and this is an Arbor Day event. Ms. Whimer advised that still would like to partner with TAB for Arbor Day. Council Chair Moore stated that will do this next year with the help of Ted Auch.

Council Chair Moore had few ideas for collaboration for our Arbor Day tree planting. She stated that one idea would be to change the non-native species at the Shaker Cemetery to native species with a tree planting on Arbor Day. Another of Council Chair Moore’s ideas are to do a tree planting on Laurel Road by the high school.

Council Chair Moore introduced Shaker Resident Nate Smith who presented a plan for planting more trees at the Onaway triangle. Council Chair Moore stated that there is no funding available from TAB to put this residents plan in place, but stated she would looked at getting help. Council Chair Moore stated the process and suggested the Onaway Association create a sub-fund to receive donations and implement projects through that fund. Council Member Williams stated how important the Onaway Triangle is to the community and how they hold events such as movie night and community meetings. Council Chair Moore stated the TAB is in support of the plan and explained how Nate Smith would need to start with talking with the Onaway Association.

Council Chair Moore stated that Forester Orlowski will present the draft of the City Tree Plan at the February TAB meeting.

The suggested dates for 2020 Meetings are:

- February 11, 2020 @ 4:00pm
- May 12, 2020
- August 11, 2020
- November 10, 2020

Next meeting will be February 11, 2020, at 4:00 in Council Chambers.

Meeting adjourned at 5:32 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

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Kelly A. Baker
Recording Assistant
Public Works Department
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