

Tree and Landscape Committee

January 27th, 2015 Meeting Minutes

Committee members present: Joe D'ariento, Deb Miller, Chris Gale, Cora Nisbet

Municipal Staff: Lynne Brandon

Assembly Liaison: Michele Putz

Hours: Joe 1.5, Deb 1, Chris 1, Lynne 5

December minutes were approved.

Addition to Agenda:

Discussion of Spring Planting at Crescent Harbor and at Blatchley (with an onsite meeting suggested.)

Persons to be heard:

Michele Putz Assembly Liaison, and community member Suggested 1. to the Tree Ordinance introduction statement, an addition supporting "edible food bearing resources" (see motion below) Lynne Brandon indicated she would work on the language and submit to the committee at February T and L meeting

2. Mentioned that the Sitka Local Foods Network is looking for support for School gardens

Motion:

A motion was made to add to the proposed updated Tree Ordinance a statement supporting "edible food bearing resources".

Motion passed 4-0

Old Business:

Presentation of Tree Ordinance to the Assembly: Up for first reading on March 10th as opposed to Feb 24th. Joe and Lynne will attend.

New Business:

Replacement of Prairie Fire trees at the firehall. Trees will be removed and may or may not be replaced with an alternative. Trees may be transplanted to Harbor Way. Centennial Norway Spruce (1) is failing and it is suggested to replace with same (or more tolerant variety) while addressing drainage concerns at the planting site.

Crescent Park waterside Sitka spruce trees (3) should/will be removed

Discussed site options for the Dawn Redwood slated for removal at Centennial Hall.. Perhaps at the Kaze Maroo site, Fine Arts campus or Crescent Harbor.

Next meeting scheduled for February 17th

Submitted February 11, 2015 Chris Gale