

CITY OF WHITWATER
11th URBAN FORESTRY COMMISSION MEETING
Tuesday December 14, 2010 - 4:15 p.m.
mtg. room next to city clerk - 2nd floor, city municipal building
312 Whitewater St., Whitewater, WI 53190

MINUTES APPROVED 1-18-11

1. CALL TO ORDER / ROLL CALL: Meeting called to order by chair - Tiiu Gray-Fow. Members present - Richard Ehrenberg, Tiiu Gray-Fow, Karen McCulloch, Tom Miller, Beverly Stone, Wyatt Welter. Members absent - Prudence Negley. Staff present - Chuck Nass, Brian Neumiester - who has become a certified arborist having studied and passed a test to do so. Others present - Roy Nosek. A quorum of four members is needed to conduct business.

2. APPROVAL OF AGENDA: Approved by consensus..

3. MINUTES OF PAST MEETINGS: Motion by Miller with second by Gray-Fow to approve the 12-9-10 minutes. Unanimous approval.

4. CITIZEN COMMENTS: None.

5. PLANNING AND ARCHITECTURAL REVIEW BOARD REPORT: No report. There was discussion about speaking with the common council and/or the city attorney regarding the roll of the liaisons from the P&ARB and the P&RB who are members of our commission. Ehrenberg reported that the Walmart landscape plan preserves all of the existing large green space on the south side of the parking lot, along West Main Street.

6. PARKS AND RECREATION BOARD REPORT: The Landscape ordinance we wrote for private properties, passed the second vote by the common council and is therefore the law. Ehrenberg passed out a draft copy of a form the city could use for registering existing properties as landscapes with over 50% of green space having vegetation other than lawn, since no such form has yet been created at this time. A copy was passed on to the city manager.

7. EMERALD ASH BORER: The Emerald Ash Borer Management plan for dealing with cut down trees was approved by the Parks & Recreation Board and will go to the common council in January.

8. CHANGING UFC MEETING DATES: MOTION by Stone with second by McCulloch to hold future meetings on the 3rd Tuesday of each month. Unanimous approval by vote

9. WORK SESSION: Next session scheduled for 12-21-2010 at 4:14 p.m.

10. STAFF REPORT: The new transparency ordinance passed by the common council requires we post our mtg. agendas 72 hours ahead of the mtg.

11. ADJOURN: MOTION by Stone with second by Welter to adjourn.

Next meeting January 18, 2011

Secretary - Richard Ehrenberg