

## **Southport Forestry Committee Minutes**

### **Regular Meeting – October 11, 2024 5:00 PM**

Scott called the meeting to order at 5pm. In attendance were: Scott Len, Roxie Smith, Fred Fiss, Jerry Donaldson, Mark Gooding, Bif Bream, Dina Rousset, Marianne Huntley, Michael McGee, Karen Mosteller and Mo Meehan. Heather Koss was absent.

- Ordinance /Permits /City topics – Mo- nothing to report with tree permitting. Scott asked about tree removal from ROW at 102 Kingsley. Permit was approved
- Loss of trees as a result of PTC #8 was discussed. Amount of water and saturated soil caused loss of some trees – 2 on Fodale were underwater during flooding.
- Call before you cut – tag content was finalized last week. Tags to be distributed after election and handed out to realtors.
- Franklin Square Park: consultant's report to be discussed at next Parks & Rec meeting and recommendation made to Alderman.
- Tree pruning – trees need to be identified and Garden Club looped in. Time to be scheduled.
- Annual tree planting – end January/early February – multiple sites identified including – North Atlantic across from Oaks, Oaks Courtyard, Clarendon & Leonard, Taylor Field (2 replacements), Keziah Park, tennis courts at Community Center. Send additional ideas to Scott. Mark will contact Community Urban Tree Program.
- Tree City application is being prepared -committee members need to send volunteer hours to Scott to include in application.
- Bif asked about process for getting trees trimmed. Call Mo or Mike prior to doing yourself. A few areas in need of trimming were discussed. Mike will trim low lying branches on Magnolia on Garrison lawn

Meeting adjourned at 5:40 pm

Next Regular meeting is Tuesday, November 12, 2024 ITMH