

TREE BOARD  
October 5, 2015

The Tree Board of the City of Norman, Cleveland County, State of Oklahoma, met in the Study Session Room on the 5<sup>th</sup> of October 2015 at 4:00 P.M.

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ITEM 1, being:

ROLL CALL

Present: Chairman Menzie and members Fagin, Winegardner and Vanlandingham ( two positions vacant)

Absent: Members Grisso, Huffman and Smith-Galoob

City Officials

Present: Suzanne Terry, Program Coordinator

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ITEM 2, being:

APPROVAL OF THE AUGUST 3, 2015 MEETING MINUTES

Member Winegardner made the motion and Member Vanlandingham seconded to approve the minutes. The vote was taken with the following results:

YEAH: Chairman Menzie and members Fagin, Winegardner and Vanlandingham

NAY: None

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ITEM 3, being:

APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

Member Fagin made the motion and Member Winegardner seconded to approve the agenda. The vote was taken with the following results:

YEAH: Chairman Menzie and members Fagin, Winegardner and Vanlandingham

NAY: None

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ITEM 4, being

**SUBCOMMITTEE REPORTS**

Chairman Menzie submitted a tree article "Invaders of Our Oklahoma Hardwoods – Fall Webworms" to be sent out and posted to the Forestry page. Chairman Menzie mentioned that planting sunflowers will attract beetles which are predators of webworms.

Friends of Trees – Member Vanlandingham stated that Member Grisso and Member Huffman were working on guidelines for commercial members and that member Smith-Galoob, member Grisso and herself were working on general members for Friends of Trees.

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ITEM 5 being

**MISCELLANEOUS COMMENTS**

Christmas Tree Board Float – Chairman Menzie will provide a truck and trailer for the float. Discussed to have one big tree on the float. Chairman Menzie will get the tree Suzanne stated she would provide a banner. Todd and Diane will provide lights and Duane will provide garland and inverter and batteries to operate lights. Member Fagin asked if there was an entry fee. Suzanne stated she believed so; it is not a City run parade. She suggested the group talk to Ed Copeland regarding rules and entry into the parade. Everyone should bring a bag of candy to pass out. Trailer will be at 1503 Melrose on Saturday morning for everyone to meet and decorate.

Chairman Menzie asked if the group had any desire to do a tree contest of some sort. He was thinking about a picture and story contest. Ideas discussed; having people write stories about a tree that has meaning to them, whether it be a family tree, story tree, or a favorite tree; getting a sponsors (Griffis, Marcums, Grissom, Greenhouse, K & K) to donate gift certificates to the winners; no entry fee; announce winner and award at Earth Day celebration; put on KGOU and do press release for Norman Transcript. Suzanne will send out application from the Norman Park Foundation tree photo contest for members to review criteria.

Suzanne informed group about the 2015 Free Tree Give-Away. The event will be on Friday, October 16 at Andrews Park. Trees will be given away on a first come first served basis. There are only 100 trees available. Varieties include, Shumard Oak, Shantung Maple and Chinese Pastiche.

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ITEM 6, being

**ADJOURNMENT**

Member Vanlandingham made the motion and Member Winegardner seconded to adjourn. The vote was taken with the following results:

YEAH: Chairman Menzie and members Fagin, Winegardner and Vanlandingham

NAY: None.

Passed and approved this 2<sup>nd</sup> of November 2015

Don Menzie, Chairperson

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