

Minutes Highland Tree Commission - December 3, 2013

Meeting called to order by Barb Stallard at 4 p.m. at KRC in the upstairs meeting room. Members present Barb Stallard, Mark Rosen, Darrel Newman, Kathryn Comish and Dick Wagoner (who previously volunteered to help with marketing).

November minutes were approved.

Old Business: Mark did not hear from Dick about the library presentation.

Signage at Silver Lake Park: Mark emailed a link with options. We need to select a particular style. Some have common and scientific name, mature size, special features, Suggestion made to have signs etched. We need to consider pros and cons for the metal and work required.

Christmas tree flyer: Barb will deliver.

Name that contest: Needs to be tweaked and sent to Facebook to advertise with weekly city news.

Scheduling event details was tabled.

Meeting dates given for 2014: 1/7, 2/4, 3/4, 4/1, 6/3, 9/2, 10/7, 11/4, and 12/2

EAB articles from Galesburg, IL put on file for City of Highland to borrow ideas from if needed.

New Business:

1. Fall Plantings

2. Committees for Spring Festival

7:30 a.m. Mark Rosen coordinate Fun Run (registration and shirts and awards)

9 a.m. Opening remarks by Mayor, introduction by Barb

9:30 adopt-a-tree program Daryl with Ryan, tree planting

Tentative time table: 10 a.m. - 5 p.m. food, art/craft, music (Nancy working on Highland Community Chorus)

Nancy Gramlich could use form similar to that used for vendors for the July 4th event

School Spring Musical (Kathryn will check on dates to see if prepared students could participate and advertise their event as well)

11 a.m. - 1 p.m. Kids area, Kathy Frey with Garden Club a good source, Mark will check with contact with Civic Women's Club

Demonstrations:

11 a.m. Barb - Container gardening

12 (noon) Kay & Bill Raised Bed gardening

1 p.m. Pamela Hunt Machote (\$50 invoice) Herbs

2 p.m. Certified arborist? from forestry - EAB pruning

3 p.m. Dick to contact - Bee Keeping

5 p.m. conclusion

Darrel would like to see profit from event in order to continue offering it annually.

Dulcimer players a possibility.

Green Tree - Shelia G. checking on.

Marketing & advertising - find ways to not need to spend money

Discussion on soliciting volunteers for planning team for continuation in future years.

Mark thought we could get a nursery to bring 50 trees (maybe only 20 needed) assuming they could take back any not adopted. City memorial trees are \$125 with signage; we could have same costs required.

Meeting adjourned at 4:45 p.m. Next meeting: January 7, 2014