



Terrebonne Parish Tree Board  
TPCG Government Tower 6<sup>th</sup> Floor Conference Room  
8026 Main Street, Houma, LA 70360  
**Minutes of August 21, 2018**

**Present:** Trudy Hebert, Chair; Myers McAllister, Secretary; Sandy Ostheimer, Vice Chair; Barton Joffrion; Mike Niette; Monica Harris; Melissa Hutchinson; Linda Brashier; Diane Theriot; Linda Henderson, Parish Liaison; Chris Pulaski, Planning and Zoning Director; David Luke, Superintendent of Roads, Bridges, and Vegetation **Quorum met**

**Absent: None**

Meeting was called to order by Trudy Hebert, Chair at 11:32 AM.

**Invocation** said by all members.

Minutes presented and

- **Motion to accept the minutes of the July meeting** was made by Mike Niette and seconded by Monica Harris. The motion carried without objection.
- **Finance Report: Trudy Hebert** reported that the Board has a carryover balance of **\$14,797.00**. No funds spent.

#### **Old Business**

- Hebert, Chair, reported on the progress of the East Tunnel Blvd. Project. Chris Pulaski reported that the application has been submitted. Melissa Hutchinson reported that DOTD was cutting today.
- Little John Bottle Brush, Fire Bush, and Sparkleberry are the plants selected to go in containers in the Government Tower parking lot. The Board will get prices from local nurseries and move forward with purchasing the plants, soil, fertilizers, and pine needles. Board members will complete the planting. David Drury, TP lawn care will maintain pots.
- Trudy Hebert, Chair, reported that Tree Tours Story corrections were made by Elmo Bergeron and posted updates on website.

#### **New Business**

- Hebert, Chair reported that no meeting has been scheduled with the Parish President. The purpose of the meeting is to present the Annual Report and to request funding for future projects.
- The Board discussed the generator to be installed at Government Tower. Trees and shrubs will be lost in the installation. **Motion to approve removal of trees for the project** made by Myers McAllister and seconded by Sandy Ostheimer. Motion carried with no objection.
- Hebert reported that members who join the Arbor Day Foundation can get 10 free trees or donate trees to different agencies to reforest areas.
- Monica Harris suggested investigating a future TPTB project at the foot of the Dularge Bridge to help with drainage of storm water. Dularge Bridge project
- Linda Brashier will chair a new committee to register live oak trees on public property – the Live Oak Registration Committee.

#### **Announcements**

- Ethics certificates are due. Send to Venita Chauvin.
- Houma Tour of Homes is on September 15, 10:00 AM to 2:00 PM, to benefit St. Matthew's. The tour includes four homes in Ellendale.
- Call for nominations for Tremendous Tree Award for October – December.
- **Motion to adjourn** was made by Monica Harris and seconded by Diane Theriot. Motion carried with no objection.

Submitted by  
S. Myers McAllister, Secretary