



Terrebonne Parish Tree Board  
TPCG Government Tower 6<sup>th</sup> Floor Conference Room  
8026 Main Street, Houma, LA 70360  
**Minutes of December 19, 2017**

**Present:** Trudy Hebert, Chair; Sandy Ostheimer, Vice-Chair; Myers McAllister, Secretary; Linda Brashier; David Luke, Barton Joffrion; Diane Theriot; Christopher Pulaski, Parish Advisor; Linda Henderson, Parish Liaison **Quorum met**

**Absent:** Melissa Hutchinson, Monica Harris

- Meeting was called to order by Trudy Hebert, Chair at 11:35 AM.
- **Invocation** read by members.
- Minutes presented and **Motion to accept the minutes of the November meeting as amended** was made by Barton Joffrion and seconded by Sandy Ostheimer. The motion carried without objection.
- **Finance Report: Trudy Hebert** reported that the Board has a carryover balance of **\$17,036.76**, with ongoing working projects.

**Old Business- Projects Report:**

- **Arbor Day Tree Give-Away: Sandy Ostheimer** reported that the outdoor space at the library is reserved. Trees have been set aside and will be labeled. The Master Gardeners committed to volunteering on Friday and Saturday. Arrangements are being made for transporting the trees. Chris Pulaski, Sandy Ostheimer, and Myers McAllister volunteered to assist.
- **North Campus Project: Sandy Ostheimer** reported that she and Barton Joffrion have measured and plotted the potential planting areas around the EOC, JJDC, and the Animal Shelter.
- **Memorial Project: Sandy Ostheimer** also reported that Randy Galliano, Director of Recreation District 11 approved planting a tree in Glen F. Pope Memorial Park as a tribute to **Sybil Guidry**. Sandy will contact Councilwoman **Christa Duplantis** to confirm the future plans of the park to ensure that the tree is planted in a permanent location.
- **Publications: Trudy Hebert** reported that the Tree Tours brochure information is at Houma Area Convention and Visitor's Bureau for Marketing meeting with director even though a leadership change is in progress.

**New Business**

- **Nomination Committee: Sandy Ostheimer** presented the slate of officers – Trudy Hebert as Chair, Sandy Ostheimer as Vice-Chair, and Myers McAllister as Secretary. Elections will take place at the January meeting.
- **New Projects: Sandy Ostheimer** suggested that the Board identify projects and prioritize them for 2018 at the January meeting. Members are encouraged to look at the following areas as potential projects – Westside Blvd. between Hwy. 311 and Marin Luther King Blvd., Bayou Gardens Blvd. between West Park Ave. and Alma St., and interchange at Hwy. 90 and Hwy. 24. Chris Pulaski suggested contacting Parish Council to advise on potential areas, especially on the Eastside of Houma.

**Announcements**

- There is one vacancy for Board membership. Members are encouraged to invite candidates to attend the meeting to determine their interest in the TPTB.
- Next meeting announced to be January 16, 2018, at 11:30 AM on the 6<sup>th</sup> floor of Government Towers. Meeting dates for 2018 will be presented at the January meeting. Members suggested looking carefully at meeting dates close to holidays.
- **Motion to adjourn** was made by Sandy Ostheimer and seconded by Diane Theriot. Motion carried with no objection.

Submitted by  
S. Myers McAllister  
Secretary