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Tree Board Minutes for May 2, 2024

The May meeting was called to order ~ Mike Conway

Minutes ~ Sally Soderlund

The minutes from the last meeting were read. Joe Daugherty suggested an amendment. Sally noted it. The minutes were then approved.

Treasury ~ Mike Conway

General Fund

- \$500.00 (from the city of Park Hills budget)

Reserve Fund Balance

\$520.00

After planting the trees for the new Park Hills City building and paying for the trees in our "Plant A Tree" program we were operating at a deficit. In order to avoid a deficit penalty we borrowed \$500.00 from the city.

New Members ~ All

Our new member, Marty Grimes, was in attendance. Prospective members were discussed.

Arbor Day ~ Plant A Tree ~ Pat Flannery

"Plant A Tree" program's date has yet to be determined.

The vibe the morning of the program was discussed. It is both wonderful and chaotic. The excitement of our neighbors' for a free tree is rewarding and inspiring. The zeal is also chaotic and confusing.

Two ideas for alleviating the stress were proffered; 1. a lottery system (Marty Grimes) and 2. a reservation fee (Joe Daugherty).

Pat will consider these.

Certification of valid "Park Hills" residence to receive a tree was also discussed. Delivery to the recipients' residences (by our volunteers) helps.

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Baeten's would planting of the trees (for a fee) would certify that the trees are staying in Park Hills and our program is benefiting those for whom it is intended.

New Tree Match (50% off) program with Baeten's Nursery ~ Pat Flannery

Park Hills will partner with Baeten's for a 50% discount on the purchase AND planting of new Fall trees for residents of Park Hills. The program will begin and end within the Fall planting schedule determined by Baeten's.

This program will have a \$5,000.00 cap.

Old/New Business

We received a new large Tree City metal sign. Mike asked for suggestions about where it should be placed.

Adjournment ~ All Agreed