

TOWN OF SULLIVAN'S ISLAND, SOUTH CAROLINA

TREE COMMISSION

REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

Monday March 26, 2018

A regular meeting of the Town of Sullivan's Island Tree Commission was held on the above date at 5:00 p.m. at the Sullivan's Island Fire Department, 2050 Middle Street. All requirements of the Freedom of Information Act having been satisfied. Present were Commission members Ken Spicer, Nat Robb, Milton Langley and Adele Tobin.

Staff members present: Jessi Gress and Joe Henderson, AICP, ISA Certified Arborist

- I. **Call to Order:** Ken Spicer, Chairman, called the meeting to order and stated that the press and public were duly notified pursuant to State Law and all Commissioners present. There were no members of the public or media present.
- II. **Approval of Agenda – Commission made no changes to the Agenda**
- III. **Approval of Minutes:** Nat Robb stated that the motion to approve 2656 Jasper was not unanimous and we need to change that to two were in favor and one opposed. Nat Robb made a motion to approve as long as the corrections are made. Milton Langley seconded that motion.

IV. TREE REMOVAL REQUESTS

1. **2629 Goldbug Avenue: Naramore Construction, applicant, requests approval to remove one Category 1 eastern red cedar with a 16" dbh (diameter at breast height) per Zoning Ordinance Section 21-162. B. (Application for relocation, or removal and replacement) (TMS# 529-06-00-047)**

Joe Henderson stated that the applicant is requesting the removal of one Category 1 eastern red cedar that is older and not in good health. This request is being made in order for the applicant to build a swimming pool addition and accessory structure. There has not been a mitigation plan submitted. The applicant has not been before the DRB yet. The applicant would like approval from the Tree Commission before presenting to the DRB. The applicant stated that the tree is leaning into the area of development. He also stated that the reason why they are building on that side of the lot is because on the other side is a beautiful live oak that they want to give room to grow. Milton Langley asked if there is anything that would be planted in place of the removal of this tree. The applicant stated they have not planned on it but would definitely make accommodations to do so if needed. **Nat Robb made a motion to approve the removal of this tree with the stipulation that at least eight inches are replanted preferably category one trees. Milton Langley seconded that motion.**

V. ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION

1. 2018 Arbor Day Celebration: Consideration of ideas for celebrating National Arbor Day on April 26, 2018 during the Town's Farmer's Market.

Joe Henderson stated that National Arbor Day will be April 29, 2018 but the town will be celebrating it during our Farmer's Market which will be on April 26, 2018. The Town is planning on handing out free saplings. Also, ordering 100 trees with tree care and planting instructions. Joe Henderson mentioned that council member Sarah Church recommended having a vendor for the kids. The town will have biodegradable pots and soil so the kids can plant their own saplings. Milton Langley asked if we could hand out some brochures on proper tree trimming. Joe Henderson stated that we do have those brochures on hand and we can pass those out. Joe Henderson stated that we can showcase the Tree City USA signs. Joe Henderson asked for the Board Members to look for a good location that they would like these signs to go. The Board recommended placing the sign at the foot of the bridge on the Town welcome sign and granted approval of holding the Arbor Day Celebration on April 26th.

Adele Tobin made a motion to adjourn at 5:44 p.m.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Ken Spicer", written over a horizontal line.

Ken Spicer, Chairman