## **COMMUNITY APPEARANCE COMMISSION MINUTES**

November 3, 2010 Greenville, NC

The Community Appearance Commission met on the above date at 5:30 p.m. in the third floor conference room #337 of City Hall located at 200 West Fifth Street.

Community Appearance Commission Members Present:

Mark Abboud Myron Caspar, Vice-Chair Dana Coles, Chair Brenda Diggs Troy Jensen Perry Kachroo Albi McLawhorn Joanne Robertson

Community Appearance Commission Members Absent:

Valerie Guess

Redeem Robinson

<u>Staff Present</u>: Sandy Gale Edmundson, Secretary; Kevin Heifferon, Building and Grounds Superintendent; and Niki Jones, Planner

## PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Commission members pledged allegiance to the flag of the United States of America.

#### APPROVAL OF AGENDA: NOVEMBER 3, 2010

Motion was made by Mr. Troy Jensen and seconded by Mr. Myron Caspar to approve the November 3, 2010 agenda. Motion carried unanimously.

## APPROVAL OF MINUTES: OCTOBER 6, 2010

Motion was made by Mr. Troy Jensen and seconded by Mr. Myron Caspar to approve the October 6, 2010 minutes. Motion carried unanimously.

#### NEW BUSINESS

#### Introduction of New Commission Member

Ms. Coles introduced Joanne Robertson as the most recently appointed Commission member.

The Commission welcomed Ms. Robertson.

## Tree Project Update

Mr. Heifferon gave a tree project update. There will be a Community Roots Day in 2011. The City of Greenville and ReLeaf will have a Community Tree Day on February 12, 2011. This will be a three hour event and will be adjacent to the dog park at the end of Ash Street. The goal of the event is to get community participation in this big event. One hundred to one hundred twenty-five trees will be planted. There will be seedlings and two inch caliper trees beside the dog park and along the Greenway. This will be a work day and an education in tree planting. Our goal is for this to become an annual event and for it to become bigger and better. Planting of the trees will rotate around to different areas of the City. A member of the Community Appearance Commission should serve on the committee organizing this event. This Commission is considered the Tree Board for the City of Greenville. Mark Abboud and Myron Caspar volunteered to serve.

Mr. McLawhorn: How does the City obtain the trees?

Mr. Heifferon: Weyerhaeuser donates the seedlings. ReLeaf donates the larger trees. There is no expense to the City of Greenville for buying trees.

Ms. Diggs: What types of trees?

Mr. Heifferon: There will be Willow Oak, a mixture of seedlings, Chestnut Oak, Sawtooth Oak, Hickory Trees and more. East Carolina University is also involved. Devon Levi, landscape architect, will help design the planting areas.

Ms. Coles thanked Mr. Heifferon for helping several weeks ago with the Wildflower Project.

## November Community Appearance Awards Voting and Nominations

The Commission voted for the Carolina Cove apartments.

Mr. Jones: These apartments were fixed up without additional costs to residents.

The Commission nominated the apartments that were torn down across from Charles Boulevard and 14<sup>th</sup> Street; East Carolina Bank; and UNX.

## Adopt-a-Street

## Next Level Program of Pitt Community College

Mr. Jones: The Next Level Program of Pitt Community College would like to adopt

Landmark Street from Greenville Boulevard to Baywood Lane from September 2010 until May 2013.

Motion was made by Mr. Mark Abboud and seconded by Ms. Brenda Diggs to approve the adopt-a-street for the Next Level Program. Motion carried unanimously.

## Community Appearance Commission of the City of Greenville

Mr. Jones: This Commission would like to adopt Kristen Drive from SW Greenville Boulevard to Alice Drive from November 2010 until November 2012.

Mr. Abboud: The Commission should clean the area at least two (2) times a year.

# Resolution for the Releaf Organization Update

Ms. Coles: The resolution is completed. The resolution will be made into a plaque to present to ReLeaf at the social.

# Neighborhood Improvement Grants

Mr. Jones: Mr. Hines could not make it to tonight's Commission due to a family emergency.

The Commission decided to table the grants until the December 1, 2010 meeting.

# Wildflower Project Update

Ms. Coles: Ms. Diggs, Mr. Abboud and I planted day lilies, roses, and wildflowers. Mr. Heifferon helped tremendously. The next part of the project will be more parcels for planting.

Mr. McLawhorn: Uptown Greenville and Master Gardeners planted planters from here to the courthouse. The project was a great success along with the help of Public Works and Holly Farm. There will plenty of volunteers.

Ms. Coles applauded Mr. McLawhorn's work.

Ms. Diggs: Mr. McLawhorn's talent for recruiting volunteers is needed for future wildflower projects.

# **Biennial Awards Update**

Mr. Jones: Add Greene Street Trees and Carolina Cove Apartments to the Biennial Awards List for consideration.

Ms. Coles: The Awards Committee will get back with the Commission as to particulars for the event.

# SUBCOMMITTEE REPORTS

No reports were given.

## **UPDATES BY STAFF**

There were no updates by Staff.

## PUBLIC COMMENT

There was no public comment.

### **ADJOURNMENT**

Motion was made by Mr. Troy Jensen and seconded by Mr. Mark Abboud to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Niki Jones Planner