

ERCFC  
Meeting Minutes  
December 3, 2008  
Community Arts Center

Members: Kris Roselle, Chair      \* Karen Fields  
Christine Hacker                      Steve Welte                      Ben Stickler, Parks and Recreation Representative  
Mike Lane                                Veronica Craig                  \* Bob Breen, Parks Board Representative  
Tom Walsh

\* Excused Absence                      \* \* Absent

Topic	Discussion	Action
<b>Call to Order</b>		Meeting called to order at 6:04pm
<b>Attendance</b>		As above
<b>Approval of minutes</b>	Moved by Mike and seconded by Roni	Approved as distributed.
<b>Standing Business</b> 1. Correspondence /Articles/Publicity  2. Hours spent on ERCFC activities  3. Website statistics  4. Adopt-a-Roadway 5. Recycling Pledge	1. Roni submitted articles about how to plant trees and electric vehicles in Hawaii; Tom had a copy of WeatherWise about fall foliage.  2. Steve-2': Roni-2': Tom-1': Kris-10 from Oct. and 20 in Nov.,; Chris-2.  3. Ben reported that the number of "hits" is down but still over 1200. New web site is up and running. It is easier to browse the site. 4. Chris will do sometime this month. 5. There have been 360 pledges so far.	
<b>Parks Board Report</b> <b>Bob</b>  <b>Parks Department Report</b> 1. Tree City USA 2. Memorial Tree Grove 3. Tree Stump Removal 4. Tree Order for Arbor Day and Home Expo	Bob not present to report Sustainability Plan was discussed but no decision made.  1. We should qualify for a Growth Award this year. 2. Ben reported that he expects a Capital Improvement Project approval for this from the Parks Board in Jan. 3. Discussion of how to remove tree stumps  4. State nursery is closed so we will have to order from Butler County.	Tom will speak with Jim about the plan and report next month.   3. Information about tree stump removal will be put into the next city newsletter. 4. Ben will place order requesting #1 Red Bud; #2 Red Maple; #3 Serviceberry.
<b>Commission Reports</b> 1. Municipal Tree Nursery 2. Trees in Well Fields 3. Tree Lottery	1. Kris will meet with Dave C. about possible locations for this nursery 2. Mike has gotten the okay to plant street trees on Muskoff Road. (20-30 trees)	2. Ben will check to see when this planting can take place. 3. Ben has drawn the winners and notified the winners.

4. Street Tree Inventory	4. Tom met with Derek Hunter and thinks that the city GPS system will work for us.	4. He will have more to report next month.
5. Recycling Contest Update	5. Oxford continues to be ahead of us in %, (Fairfield 12.94% & Oxford 16.91%) we continue to be ahead in total tonnage.	
6.. Energy Committee Meeting	6. Energy Committee's next meeting is in Jan.	
7. Nominations for Friends of Fairfield's Forests Awards	7. We need to have an individual and an organization award.  Karen and Kris had a number of suggestions including Ann Fieher Flagg, Tim McLelland, Derek Hunter, Tim Meyers, Rumpke, and the Ground Water Consortium.	7. Steve moved and Roni seconded a motion to accept the new form for this award and to put it on the website. Motion passed. Decision – Tim Meyers will receive the individual award and the Ground Water Consortium will receive the organization award. Members need to email Kris with reasons for these nominations.
8. Goals and Objectives	8. The 2008 Goals and Objectives were reviewed	8. Kris will prepare the 2008 report of these goals and goals for 2009 for the Jan. meeting.
<b>Upcoming Events</b>		
1. Annual Report and Awards Presentation	1. Will try for the awards to be presented at the February Council Meeting.	1. Kris will prepare annual report.
2. Bird House Workshop	2. Will be held in March (14 <sup>th</sup> or 21 <sup>st</sup> ). Steve will coordinate.	2. Ben will check on dates and room availability.
<b>Other Business</b>	Suggestion that we could hold a Bat House building workshop in Oct. 2009.	
<b>Calendar</b>	Next ERCFC Meeting - 1/7/2008 CAC ERCFC Meeting - 2/4/09; CAC ERCFC Meeting - 3/4/09; CAC ERCFC Meeting - 4/1/09; CAC Home Expo - 4/4/09; CAC Tree City Luncheon - 4/17/09 - Hamilton	
Adjournment		Meeting adjourned at 7:17

Respectfully submitted,

Chris Hacker