



Northern Kentucky Urban & Community Forestry Council

Minutes –September 21, 2005

The meeting was called to order at the Durr Annex – Kenton County Extension Service. Present were Kris Stone, DJ Scully, Don Girton, Kassy Jarboe, Thomas Davis, Rick Horn, Mark Jacobs, Gary Johnson, Dino Kent and Sherry Carran.

August 2005 Meeting Minutes Approved – motion by Don Girton, second by DJ Scully.

Financial Report Approved – balance as of 9/21/05 = \$40,395.69 – motion by Sherry Carran, second by Don Girton.

Old Business

Kris announced that Dr. Thomas Barnes was going to be our guest speaker for the Fall Event, scheduled for Thursday, Nov. 3rd. It was decided to try to have it at the Campbell County Extension Center. DJ said someone had to reserve the room. Sherry said she would do it in the next day or so.

Sherry reported that work on the web site has fallen behind schedule but she expects to have something for the next meeting.

DJ and Kris reported on the Arborist Training Program, scheduled for October 21st and 31st. Dave Leonard and Bill Fountain have agreed to be instructors. Currently there are 20 people registered, which may not be enough to be worth while. Kris said he would send out another e-mail on the Program. There was some discussion about some individuals who have received scholarships to help with becoming certified arborist but have not signed up for the training. It was agreed that they should be called.

Sherry noted that there needed to be clarification on the statement that she and Tom Davis will be working on guest speakers for meetings. She said the guest speakers would be for special presentations that are a part of our 2005 State Grant.

There was discussion about the VISION 2015 Effort. Mark Jacobs, DJ, Kris, and Sherry have been to some of the meetings on parks and open space. There was concern that the people leading that committee did not have an understanding of the issues involved. Sherry suggested that Mike Hammons, of Forward Quest, could be contacted to address these concerns.

DJ reported on the 2005 TIOC Grants. He said the grant reports are due November 1st. He said that he had been in contact with almost all the recipients and believes everything on schedule.

Kris passed out a copy of the letter that is to go out to members get more involvement. He asked for corrections or suggestions to the letter. It was suggested that the Nippert Foundation be added to the list of partnerships.

Kris mentioned that the need to keep track of in-kind hours. DJ suggested that there could be a lot of in-kind coming from Davey. Tom thought having an in-kind time sheet at the meetings would at least help with in-kind contributed at meetings.

Kris mentioned that he wanted to announce the 2006 TIOC Grants at the Fall Event. He asked about changing the deadline date. He will call Mark Leopold about what needs to be done. It was mentioned that it would be good to have the grant training meeting date set to announce at the Fall Event also.

There was interest as to what is happening with the Kyles Lane Stormwater Demonstration Project. Sherry reported that it is on hold for now because more sponsorship is needed.

New Business

Dino reported the Junior Forestry Event is being planned for our area next year in October. Kris said the Arboretum may be a good place to hold it.

Kris reported that the Council received an invitation to attend the Kentucky Forest Summit being held in Shaker Town on Oct 19th & 20th. Don G. motioned to have Kris represent the Council at the event. All agreed.

Mark announced that Split Rock was having a fund raiser on Oct 1st.

DJ suggested that there be an executive council meeting in the evening so we could go over business with Mark Leopold. It was agreed and Kris will get something set.

Meeting adjourned.

Respectfully Submitted,
Sherry Carran