

FREMONT TREE PRESERVATION BOARD MINUTES OF 11/18.2008

Those in attendance: Dan Frasier, Richard Glendenning, Neil Ledet, John Ludy, Joseph Wooley

Absent: Tim Fisher

Balance in board account: \$554.50

Meeting was called to order at 5:31 p.m.

1. Joseph Wooley was appointed an ex officio member of the Board, subject to Town Council approval. Motion was made by Dan Frazier with Richard Glendenning second. The motion was unanimously approved.
2. Dan reported that in 2008 ten trees were removed from the tree lawn at a cost to the Town approximately \$4500. Seven trees were planted to replace these trees. In addition, in cooperation with the Fremont Community Schools and the Fremont High School Environmental Club, 25 trees were planted along West Street as part of the Town's Arbor Day observation.
3. The Board considered implementation of the Memory Tree Project. Richard Glendenning motioned the Project be implemented, with Neil Ledet seconding. The motion was unanimously approved. The Board further recommended that John Ludy seek to have the Town Council approve authorizing the Town Attorney to prepare the contracts to be used by residents seeking to have trees planted in memory of deceased loved ones.
4. Dan Frasier reported that the Town will spend approximately \$5000 in 2009 on tree removal. He and John Ludy updated the Board on plans to finish the FCS Memory Grove project on West Street by planting 30 school-purchased pine trees near the baseball diamond. In April, as part of the Town's Arbor Day observation, the first Memory Tree Project trees will be planted by the E Club and Street Department. (Subject to Town Council approval of the final preparatory paperwork, of course.)
5. The Board requested that Tim Fisher's status be clarified. If he will be unable to attend meetings, a replacement will be named. Town Council reappointment of members whose terms are ending as of January 1, 2009 was also requested.
6. The Board considered and approved setting of 2009 meeting dates of January 20 and November 17. Neil Ledet motioned, Richard Glendenning seconded, and the Board approved unanimously.
7. Motion to adjourn was made by Richard Glendenning with Dan Frasier seconding. Meeting adjourned at 5:59 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by John Ludy, Member of Fremont Tree Preservation Board