



City of Clarksville Tree Board

March 13, 2024 at 4:00 PM
City Hall
4th Floor Conference Room

Please silence all cell phones.

AGENDA

- 1. Call to Order**
- 2. Announce members in attendance (verify quorum)**
- 3. Public Comments**
- 4. Approval of Minutes - February 14, 2024**
- 5. City Forester Report**
 - A. Downtown Market
 - B. Tree Seedling Giveaway
 - C. Tree Inventory Update
- 6. Continuing Business**
 - A. FY24 Remaining Budget
 - B. FY25 Budget
 - C. Tree Inventory Budget
- 7. New Business**
 - A. Tree Board Ordinance Subcommittee Update
- 8. Adjournment**



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MINUTES

1. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 4:00 PM.

2. Announce members in attendance (verify quorum)

Tree board members present: Karla Gargus, Karen Reynolds, Bill Moore, Misty Robertson, Levi Main, Melissa Nolan

City Staff present: Michael Palmore, Kathrine Killebrew, Cindy Miller,

3. Public Comments

None present.

4. Adoption of Minutes

A. December 13, 2023

Misty Robertson motioned to approve, Karen Reynolds seconded, all in favor.

5. City Forester Report

A. Tree City USA & Growth Award

Tree City USA and Growth Award - approved by the State.

B. Volunteers Needed for Seedling Giveaway

3,300 Trees to be given away March 1, 2024.

C. Christmas Tree Recycling

Approximately 600 trees were collected and taken to The Compost Company for recycling.

D. Forestry Website

The City Forestry Website has been completed.

E. Yearly Forestry Report

The Yearly Forestry report has been submitted to the State.

F. Tree Inventory

Mr. Palmore reports that Davey Resource Group will start on February 20th and anticipates they will finish by April 30th.

G. Current TAEP Grant - Heritage Park

The current TAEP Grant is completed.

H. New TAEP Grant

New TAEP grant areas need to be determined.

6. Continuing Business

A. Replant Clarksville Campaign Ideas

Ideas were discussed, including joint ventures with other organizations and local vendors. Misty Robertson will head a subcommittee which will meet 1-2 times per month, Karen Reynolds will assist.

B. Champion Tree List

The list was divided among board members to verify that the trees are still standing.

7. New Business

A. Tree Board Member Update

Mike Taliento has been appointed by the Mayor.

B. FY24 Budget - End-of-year Spending

Tabled until next meeting.

C. FY25 Budget - Planning for Next Year

Tabled until next meeting.

8. Tree Board Comments

9. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 5:04 pm.

City of Clarksville
Tree Board Subcommittee
Tree Ordinance Review
February 22, 2024, at 09:00 AM
Building and Facilities Maintenance Department,
1210 Franklin St., Clarksville, TN 37040

Minutes

1. Meeting Attendees: City Councilperson Karen Reynolds, William Moore, Michael Taliento
2. Called to Order: Karen Reynolds at 9 AM
3. New Business: Reviewed the resources.
 - a. Discussed City of Clarksville Current Ordinance:
 - i. Chap 17-Tree Management, City Forester, and Tree Board
https://library.municode.com/tn/clarksville/codes/code_of_ordinances?nodeId=TIT1ADOFPE_CMAFOTRBO
 - ii. Chap 7 – Landscape, Buffering and Screening Requirements
https://library.municode.com/tn/clarksville/codes/zoning_ordinance?nodeId=CH7LABUSCRE
 - b. Reviewed Process
 - i. Request Ms. K. Killebrew discuss current barriers that are not addressed in the current city ordinances at next meeting.
 - ii. Overall goals:
 1. Green space per number of rough tops/residents.
 2. Number and caliper of tree(s) per acreage in new development.
 3. Protecting current canopy
 - iii. Members will review comparable City Ordinances covering Landscaping, Tree Board, and Landscape. We will review and discuss the differences and opportunities at the next subcommittee meeting.
 1. Mr. William Moore – Alcoa and Knoxville
 - a. [Municipal Code - Alcoa | MTAS \(tennessee.edu\)](#)
 - b. [Code of Ordinances | Knoxville, TN | Municode Library](#)
 2. Mr. Micheal Taliento
 - a. [Zoning | Johnson City, TN | Municode Library](#)
 - b. [Code of Ordinances | Chattanooga, TN | Municode Library](#)
 3. City Council Person Karen Reynolds
 - a. [Code of Ordinances | Metro Government of Nashville and Davidson County, TN | Municode Library](#)
 - b. [Code of Ordinances | Memphis, TN | Municode Library](#)
 4. Additional Cities – If you would like to take one or two to review and report back to the subcommittee:
 - a. [Code of Ordinances | Germantown, TN | Municode Library](#)
 - b. [Code of Ordinances | Columbia, SC | Municode Library](#)
 - c. Other Cities members may be aware of and would like to review
 - c. Request Chairperson Karla Gargus and City Forester Katherine Killebrew if they can share the current draft of the 5-year plan and provide an update. This will be used only as a reference as we move forward to ensure we are following the projected vision.
 4. The next Tree Ordinance Subcommittee is Scheduled for 9AM, 6 March 2024 same location.
 5. We will share resources on the documents and carry them forward for reference, Appendix A
 6. Adjournment

Appendix A

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5. Safe Streets Green Cities Good Health washington.edu
[Safe Streets :: Green Cities: Good Health \(washington.edu\)](http://SafeStreets::GreenCities:GoodHealth(washington.edu))
6. Tree Ordinances – Nashville Chapter 2.104 - URBAN FORESTER
https://library.municode.com/tn/metro_government_of_nashville_and_davidson_county/codes/code_of_ordinances?nodeId=CD_TIT2AD_DIVIIIIBO_CH2.104URFO
7. Chapter 2.226 - TREE REPLACEMENT AND PROTECTION ON CERTAIN METRO PROPERTIES
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9. Article X. - Tree Protection and Replacement Procedures
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City of Clarksville
Tree Board Subcommittee
Tree Ordinance Review
March 6, 2024 at 09:00 AM
Building and Facilities Maintenance Department,
1210 Franklin St., Clarksville, TN 37040

Minutes

1. Meeting Attendees: City Councilperson Karen Reynolds; Michael Taliento, Katherine Killebrew, City Forester; Karla Gargus, Chair, Tree Board
2. Called to Order: Karen Reynolds at 9 AM
3. Review Minutes from February 22, 2024: Agreed to submit to Tree Board at next meeting
4. City Forester -Review and discussion of current deficiencies in Tree Ordinance and Landscape Ordinance
 - a. Ms. Killebrew agreed to review current Tree Board Ordinance and make a list of issues that need to be addressed in updated ordinance.
 - b. The list will be reviewed at next meeting
5. Discuss Document Review
 - a. The committee will present the following at the Tree Board Meeting
 - i. Review the International Society of Arboriculture (ISA) Tree Ordinance Guidelines
 - ii. [International Society of Arboriculture \(isa-arbor.com\)](https://library.municode.com/tn/clarksville/codes/zoning_ordinance?nodeId=CH7LABUSCRE)
 - b. Committee will work to update Chap 7 – Landscape, Buffering and Screening Requirements
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 - c. Committee will review other community Tree Management Ordinances for best practices and consider replacing rather than modifying:
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 - ii. Ms. Killebrew will reach out TUFC for recommendations of best practices.
6. Karen Reynolds will reach out to APSU Wes Powell and Alexandra Wills to support committee as well invite Building and Codes staff to next meeting.
7. Review for next meeting:
 - a. Purpose and Intent as well as definitions.
 - b. Each person will review assigned city ordinances or other references and be ready to present suggestions for updates.
 - c. The Intent and Purpose as well as definitions should congruent between the Tree Ordinance and the Landscape ordinances.
 - d. Link to Folder with ordinances:
<https://drive.google.com/drive/folders/1MSO7Vs77TB229LkHusQRT5J-HSLpwAcQ?usp=sharing>
 - e. Use comments to update and be sure to “reference” where the language came from.
8. The next Tree Ordinance Subcommittee is Scheduled for 9AM, 22 March 2024 same location.
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