

City of Apalachicola Tree Committee
Meeting Minutes
December 18, 2018, 3:00 pm
Battery Park Community Center

1. attendees:¹

Holly Brown, Committee member and note taker for this meeting,
Robert Seaborn, Committee member, and
Dennis Winterringer, Committee chair person.
Jeff Ellis, Resident

2. Draft summary of the Committee's November 20, 2018, meeting (prepared by Mr. Seaborn).

The Committee will revise or adopt without revision the draft summary.

3. Formal adoption of the revised Tree Ordinance.

The City's attorney publically read the revised Tree Ordinance for the first time at the City Commission's meeting on December 4, 2018. In response to a comment by Beth Wright, Mr. Winterringer and the City Commission agreed to add cherry-laurel, redbay, and water oak to the list of protected trees. The Ordinance is scheduled to be read for the second time and be voted on by the City Commission on January 8, 2019. However, at this meeting the committee agreed to only add water oak, not cherry laurel or redbay.

4. Revised tree application form.

Mr. Winterringer revised the tree application form to incorporate the requirements of the revised Ordinance. Attached is a draft copy of the form which was reviewed. Discussed need to get news of the new tree requirements once they are passed.

5. Jan 26, 2019 Arbor Day celebration.

Planning continues for the celebration that will be held at the Farmer's Market. The committee decided not to charge for the tree giveaway. Holly volunteered to contact Duke about participating in the event. She also updated the committee on the Tree City celebration n April.

6. Next meetings.

a. January 8, 2019, 6 p.m., City Commission meeting when the proposed Tree Ordinance will be read for the second time and hopefully adopted.

b. January 15, 2019, 3 p.m., regular monthly meeting of the Tree Committee.