

Town of James Island
Tree Advisory Committee

Meeting Minutes

Tuesday, May 12, 2020, 5:30 PM

VIRTUAL MEETING, SEE DETAILS BELOW

Members Present: Garrett Milliken (Environment & Beautification Committee Chair), David Tomblin (Appointed by Dan Boles), Jenny Welch (appointed by Cynthia Mignano), Kathy Woolsey (appointed by Mayor Woolsey) and Ashley Kellahan (Town Administrator).

*This meeting was held via the Zoom platform due to health concerns associated with the need for social distancing during the Covid-19 epidemic.

Meeting started at 5:30

Motion to approve minutes from 5/12 was made by Kathy Woolsey and passed.

Arboreal Management- Gary made a motion to review draft and submit to committee for review

ROW Tree Census-

Brian Durham from Geothinq discussed their platform. Short demo of Geothinq software.

Currently under consideration for town's stormwater system. If purchased the tree layer would be free.

There is the ability to allow public use of software in the future.

Motion to add tree layer approved by unanimous consent of committee

Discussion of mission statement

Gary suggested adding a link for tree information on the town website. Provide access to types of trees, invasive species, planting suggestions.

Budget request:

Discussion with Ashley if the TAC financial request to council is sufficient.

Projected small expenditures for tree surveys. Dave Tomlinson volunteered use of his equipment if needed.

The current request of \$10,000 for the TAC council should be sufficient

For the good of the order:

Review of tree ordinance for the town. Proposed review of the tree ordinance in conjunction with Comp Plan Review

Review requirements for tree removal Types of trees in ROW

Recommend additional members for the TAC.

Chairman Milliken to send out tree ordinance to members for review prior to next meeting. Amy to add additional notes on ordinances for other municipalities

Motion to adjourn made by member Woolsey and seconded by member Tomlinson

Meeting Adjourned @ 6:20 pm