MEETING MINUTES Urban Forest Commission April 18, 2024

Attendees: Jason lames, Kenny Allen, Todd Herrmann, Johnna Herrmann, Beth Rosplock

Jason lames called the meeting of the Urban Forest Commission (UFC) to order at the Erlanger Public Works building on Thursday, April 18, 2024 at 4:07 p.m.

Meeting Minutes - March Meeting

The March meeting minutes were approved by Todd Herrmann and Jason lames.

Kenton Lands/ Butterfly Garden Update

- Jason shared an update on the Butterfly Garden which will be installed in the near future by Silverlake
- They have planted wildflower seeds. According to UK contact, a wildflower garden will take approximately three years to get established
- Longer term plan is to install horse fencing and plant trees near the baseball field

Arbor Day Update

- Arbor Day celebration is set for October 5, 2024 at Flagship Park
- Johnna shared an example from Louisville, KY where Sign-up Genius was used to secure volunteers for an Arbor Day event. We could put a link on Facebook and on the City's website, also can promote with Lakemont and Southwick HOAs
- Discussed providing t-shirts for volunteers
- Our commission would identify a specimen tree to be planted that day
- We will hold a cookout and have giveaways similar to 2023 Arbor Day celebration held in the spring
- We'll have 200 saplings to give away
- Discussed that Summer Sendoff may be a good place to also promote this event, in addition to hanging the banners and social media

Topics for next meeting

• Jason to check on budget and provide an update

Note: The UFC will not meet in May.

Next Meeting: Thursday, June 20 at 4:00 p.m.

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED: Johnna Herrmann, UFC Secretary

APPROVED:

ATTESTED BY:

Sherry Hoffman, City Clerk