



**CITY OF MESQUITE  
PARKS AND RECREATION  
TREE BOARD**

**Meeting to be held after the 7 p.m.  
Parks and Recreation Advisory Board meeting at  
Westlake House  
421 Gross Rd.**

**October 8, 2009**

**MINUTES**

**I. Call to Order**

Chair Rich Davis called the meeting to order at 8:26 p.m.

**II. Roll Call of Members**

Present: Rich Davis, Phillip Hawkins, Andy Leake, David Burriss, Gregory Dyer and Jerry Jones.

Members Absent: Linda Rose and Andrea Jasper

Staff Members Present: Cliff Keheley, Oscar Martinez, Lauren Miller, Craig Dishman, Kevin Rogers, Travis Sales and Lisa Keith.

Guests: None

**III. Adoption of Minutes**

Phillip Hawkins made a motion to approve the minutes of the June 11, 2009 meeting as submitted. Jerry Jones seconded the motion, and the motion passed unanimously.

**IV. Hear Reports Regarding:**

**A. Status of 2009-10 Urban Forestry Program**

Travis Sales said that 505 trees have been planted to date.

**B. Tree Transplant Contract Update**

Travis Sales said that the contractor, Fannin Tree Farm opted to renew their contract for the third year. When they begin removing trees this fall we will start to see a revenue stream.

**C. Hazardous Tree Removal**

Mr. Sales said that the removal of dead trees has slowed down. We are finally seeing an end to the affects of the 2006-2007 drought.

**D. Tree City USA**

Mr. Sales announced that we will submit the application for our 20 year Tree City USA designation. Once the designation is awarded banners and flags will be put up around the city.

**E. State Arbor Day Ceremony**

Mr. Sales said that in conjunction with our 20 year Tree City USA designation, we are seeking to host the State Arbor Day Ceremony in the Spring 2010.

**F. Diplodia Tip Blight on Oak/Pine Species**

A fungus called Diplodia Tip Blight has surfaced on some of our Oak and Pine Trees. The disease does not allow nutrients to reach the leaves and will give them a splotchy appearance. The fungus was most likely caused by going from dry (due to the drought) to wet soil conditions (due to plentiful rain). Hopefully we will not see a long term impact of the disease.

**V. Board Concerns**

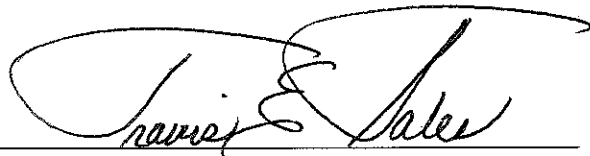
None

**VI. Requests for Information, Agenda Items**

None

**VII. Adjournment**

Andy Leake made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Phillip Hawkins seconded the motion, and it passed unanimously. The meeting adjourned at 8:36 p.m.



Travis Sales  
Park Services Superintendent/Municipal Arborist

Date Approved: 02/25/10