

URBAN LANDSCAPE COMMISSION
MINUTES
June 27, 2012

Meeting was called to order at 4:35 p.m.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Annette Tanner, Jenny Selin, Kitty Lozier, Judith Kierig, Nicole Panaccione, Jerry Steketee, Marchetta Maupin, Mark Wise

OLD BUSINESS:

- A. Biafore Landscape Representative had to cancel.
- B. The concept for chicanes on Hoffman Avenue was presented. Urban Landscape office cannot add it as another project. The chicanes must be maintained if they are planted. A volunteer would be needed to maintain if planted with grass or flowers. They are an experiment and will be temporary. The chicane area will not be dug out. It will be curbed over asphalt and backfilled with rock.
- C. Committee of the Whole presentation: The consensus of the group was that Urban Landscape Chair, Kara Hurst, made an outstanding presentation to City Council. Overall, City Council appeared interested in the recommendations outlined in the report.

NEW BUSINESS:

- A. **PROJECT SITE REPORT:** Urban Landscape Superintendent Maupin reported that there were problems in the vendor's greenhouse with the cool, wet spring. All the projects were getting a late start this year, as the water truck was assembled late. The Mayor requested that Mountaineer Heritage Park be weeded & mulched by 7/4/12. BOPARC and ULC staff will work together on this project.
- B. **TREE BOARD REPORT:** Kara Hurst reported that Biafore Landscaping will prune the High Street trees. They will loosen & replace ties to compensate for new tree growth. The light cords are cutting into the tree trunks and branches as the trees mature. The lights get vandalized and are not appropriate for year round. They require more frequent maintenance, which is not provided for. One

idea is for spotlights that are flush with the ground.

Currently the tree board does not have funds for tree maintenance.

Arch Street was planted with 2 Linden trees.

- C. ZACKQUILL MORGAN DAR STATUE UPDATE: The sculptor, Jamie Lestor, feels the statue should not be located close to the public restrooms. He mentioned he noticed a foul odor due to the MUB pumping station. He sent a letter to Main Street Morgantown, asking for input.

No meeting will be held in July. Next meeting will be August 22, 2012.

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