

Prospect Forestation Board Meeting
March 13, 2025 2 p.m. via Webex

Present: Lee Tucci, Linda Knox, Connie Kuhn, Herb Shulhafer, Sylvia Quaye, Stephen Houston, Andrea Hanlon, Mayor Farnsley, Ron Cundiff, John Carter, Don Gibson

The minutes for the January and March meetings will be reviewed at the April meeting.

The Mayor said they he had recently received an email from Lee suggesting that the new Harrods Creek Park bridge be named after Linda Wardell in recognition for her significant contribution to Prospect's parks. He was in total agreement and a resolution supporting that idea will be presented to Council next Monday.

He also mentioned that City event notices would be consolidated to a weekly eblast on all upcoming activities. He mentioned several events, but focused on the next Art in the City event, which will have an opening on March 23 and acknowledged Connie's role as part of the committee. He also wanted to share some updates on the Architectural Committee. The new grocery planned for Prospect Point has presented plans that were reviews with some changes requested by the Committee. There will also be a new building by Gustavos for Evergreen Liquor when they move from Prospect Point.

Andrea said our list of tree species has been sent to the nursery for a quote, which is expected quickly. She asked if flags were being distributed and if they were aware of timing needed to review locations. I will find out. We have someone who wanted 2 and wrote a check for 2, so that was addressed.

There are 2 residents in the Landing who have requested and received permission to remove Bradford Pear street trees. One of the owners is participating in our spring canopy program. There was also an inquiry from an owner on Wythe Hill who is concerned about dead trees on City property just past is property line that he feels may be a hazard to the Hunting Creek entry. There is also an Oak tree in Little Hunting Creek park that is of concern. Ron and Andrea are scheduling time to look at both cases. We also have a resident who wants to donate a tree. She has a 6 foot pine, grown from a seed, in a container. She has moved to a smaller property that is too small to plant the tree, and she hopes Prospect might have a use for it.

She also mentioned some ideas to improve the resident ordering process for the spring canopy trees such as giving the resident a copy of their agreement and the marking flag when the agreement and check were submitted.

Trees Louisville is doing some interesting activities and have done multiple small tree giveaways. Their focus is getting trees into inner city areas where they are badly needed. Might be worth contacting them to discuss suburban communities. It might be worth hosting an educational event prior to Arborfest with a guest speaker from Yew

Dell, Louisville Botanical Gardens or KY Forestry to help residents better understand tree care. The National Gardening Association promotes fall planting and may have educational materials available.

Lee asked about the Mike Powers memorial plaque. It seems to have disappeared. Ron will double check, and check with John as well as it is believed to have arrived at City Hall. There was also some confusion on which tree gets this plaque. Andrea will resend her picture of the Redbud.

The question was asked if there would be a planting plan for replanting at the development Prospect Point project. The Mayor and Andrea have been in contact with the developer and believe a planting plan will be developed and submitted for Prospect review. One of the key points emphasized was the need to have trees and not just asphalt. The Mayor has shared our concerns with the Architectural Committee, and they have been responsive and supportive. Comments were made about the process working with the new Chase branch and the positive results.

The next meeting will be May 8 at 2 pm via Webex.

Respectfully submitted,
Linda Knox