

**MINUTES**  
**CITY OF PETALUMA, CA**  
**TREE ADVISORY COMMITTEE**  
**WEDNESDAY, March 18<sup>th</sup>, 2009, 3:30 pm**  
**CONFERENCE ROOM 3 - PETALUMA COMMUNITY CENTER**  
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**Roll Call:**

**Members:** Norman, \*Scaccalosi, Sullivan, Wilson

**\*Chairperson**

**Staff:** DeNicola, Lanusse

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**PUBLIC COMMENT:** None

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES:** Minutes from February 2009 motioned, seconded and approved.

**OLD BUSINESS**

**I. Street Tree List-** Planter size was discussed and the opinion was to keep both categories for dimensions. Planter size by square feet, such as 18 sq. ft., and planter size such as , 3' by 6'.

**II. Grants-** Wilson will get the application for TOT tax, and find out about projects. She will also find out if TOT funds can be used to fund someone to electronically fund someone to do IT work for walking guide to downtown trees. Wilson will also ask about how much the TAC received historically.

**III. 150 Trees Grant-** The state has frozen all funds, so the tree planting is stalled until the state can sell bonds to finance the Grants. **Norman** spoke to Diggs and commented that it was a good turn out. She also had done some math and the cost of water to fill the bags for a month, at twice a week was about \$1.50. There is some concern that with the drought, that people will not water their trees.

**IV. Update on Interim Tree Code-** Council met 3-16-09. Tree preservation is in. Council was going to review adding private trees. This aspect will be deferred until the 30<sup>th</sup> of March. The Tree sub-committee is not really happening. Question came up was does George White speak for the Tree Sub-committee?

**V. Tree Technical Manual-** Nothing for this month.

**VI. TAC Goals for Council Report-** Scaccalosi will contact Scott Brodhun and set up a time.

**VII. Heritage Trees-** Nothing this month

**VIII. Arbor Day-** April 19th 11:00 @ The Golden Concourse. Ron to announce news at the Park and Rec. Commission tonight.

**IX. Sunnyslope-** Nothing new for this month.

**X. Tree Sponsorship-** Bartlett Tree company to sponsor tree(s) in town.

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**NEW BUSINESS**

**Norman** reports that Raley's Floral Supervisor has contacted her about a grand opening tree give away for the first 500 customers. Norman to follow up to Committee.

**Norman** provides a notice of ISA seminar on March 27

**COMMITTEE MEMBER REPORTS:**

**LIAISON REPORTS:**

**STAFF REPORTS:**

**PENDING FUTURE ITEMS:**

1. Tree Brochures
  2. Depot Palms
  3. Sunnyslope Development- With Existing Trees
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