

**MOBILE TREE COMMISSION  
MINUTES OF MEETING  
January 20, 2004**

The meeting was called to order at 5:30 PM, Tom McGehee, Chairman, presiding.

Tree Commission members present: Tom McGehee, Burton Clark, Cleve Formwalt, Laura Clarke.

Ex-officio member: Ron Jackson.

City of Mobile: David Daughenbaugh, Theresa Jernigan, Dave Roberts, James Bolin.

**MINUTES**

Minutes of the meeting of November 18, 2003 were approved as written.

**TREASURY REPORT**

As reported by Burton Clark, Treasurer, the balance is \$21,368.60.

**PERMITAPPLICATIONS**

**P-2004-01 2450 Nortons Lane** Geoff Lane presented this application to remove two Water Oak Trees so that a driveway may be installed. After discussion considering alternative placement of the driveway and its proximity to Halls Mill Road, a motion was made to approve the application with the condition that work is done at applicant's expense. Motion carried.

**P-2004-02 9 Japonica Avenue** David Cooper presented this application to trim the Live Oak Tree to allow vehicular access to driveway. After discussion, a motion was made to approve the application. Motion carried.

**P-2004-03 2705 Fillingim Street** Lawrence Chapman and Ernestine Ward presented this application to remove a Sycamore Tree stating that the roots are causing damage to their properties. Discussion followed concerning this problem, and Urban Forestry Staff is to meet with applicant and work with him to resolve the problem. Motion made to deny application. Motion carried.

**P-2004-04 5815 Old Shell Road (south side) at Jaguar Drive** Merrill Thomas presented this application to remove a Water Oak Tree for access to property that has been rezoned from R-1 to B-2. After discussion, a motion was made to approve the application with the condition that work is done at applicant's expense. Motion carried.

**C-2004-01 504 Government Street HELD OVER**

**C-2004-02 6105 Lindholm Drive** Staff presented this application to remove a Red Oak Tree which was struck by lightning and in poor condition prior to being struck. After discussion, a motion was made to approve removal, motion carried. Staff noted that homeowner was not in favor of having the tree removed so Commission members suggested replacing the tree if homeowner agreed to maintain the tree.

**C-2004-03 Springhill Avenue at Louiselle Street (southwest corner)** Staff presented this application to remove the Live Oak Tree which is deteriorating due to the loss of a major limb within the last twelve months. After discussion, a motion was made to approve the removal. Motion carried.

**C-2004-04 1010 Elmira Street** Staff presented this application to remove three Water Oak Trees in poor condition due to being trimmed by Alabama Power Company over the years. After discussion, a motion was made to approve the application. Motion carried.

**C-2004-05 Hillcrest Road** Staff presented this application to remove the trees due to poor condition. After discussion of replacement and committee involvement, a motion was made to approve the application. Motion carried.

**TRAFFIC ENGINEERING – No report**

**ENGINEERING – No report**

**ALABAMA POWER COMPANY – No report**

**OLD BUSINESS – Staff reported on cost and number of trees that the Mobile Tree Commission has pledged for 2004, which is as follows: 30 Live Oak Trees, 45 Crape Myrtle Trees in the amount of \$6,000.00. An additional \$225.00 was requested to complete the projects and was approved, bringing the total to \$6,225.00.**

**NEW BUSINESS – Wisteria Avenue – 3 Yellow Poplar Trees. Staff asked for funding for these trees in the amount of \$300.00, which the Commission agreed to do. This funding is not included in the above total.**

**ANNOUNCEMENTS –Mardi Gras parades are scheduled on February 17, 2004, which is the date of the next meeting, so there will be no formal meeting.**

**ADJOURNMENT – The meeting adjourned at 6:25 PM.**

**Respectfully submitted,**

**Theresa Jernigan  
Recording Secretary**