

**CITY OF CORTLAND
LANDSCAPE AND DESIGN COMMISSION
Minutes –January 13, 2010**

Members Present: Mike Dexter (Chair), Meghan Cerveny, Jeff Davidson, Nick DeCarlo, Anne Doyle, Diane Batzing

Approve October 14, 2009 Minutes: Comm. Dexter, 1st; Comm. DeCarlo, 2nd

Tree City USA Application News: Next year we will be able to use some of the National Grid tree removal funds in our application. \$5200 was donated to the city for Yaman Park trimming. Comm. Dexter will arrange to have the Tree City USA flag re-hung at the Court House.

Port Watson St./Church St. Garden: We will need final approval from the city to go ahead with the project. John McNerney wants assurances that it will be appropriately maintained. Comm. Cerveny will speak with Glenn Goldwyn about the possibility of having the senior residents participate in weeding and trimming. Perhaps a memory garden can be established with donations for plants and materials.

Planting Standards and Bare Root Tree Planting Discussion: L&D is concerned about lottery trees being planted with wire baskets intact and planting above grade, which is contrary to ANSI (American National Standards Institute) tree planting guidelines. We would also like to see a few bare root trees purchased with Tree Lottery funds.

Invitation to Mayor Feiszli: Comm. Batzing will extend an invitation to Susan Feiszli to attend the February or March L&D meeting to meet our members and to inform her of our functions.

Membership: Comm. Dexter will let the Mayor know that we have two vacancies. Comms. Cerveny and Batzing will renew their terms.

Waterworks Trees: Deer have broken through the fencing and destroyed the apple trees we planted a few years ago.

Median Tree: Comm. Dexter will inquire about replacing the Church St. median tree that has been removed.

National Grid City Trimming Schedule: Jim Maloney has provided the maps for our review.

Next Meeting: Wednesday, February 10, 2010
City Hall at 4:00 p.m.

Respectfully,
Comm. Batzing