

MINUTES
KNOXVILLE TREE BOARD
MARCH 12, 2015

The meeting was called to order by Sam Adams at 8:35 a.m. Other board members present were David Vandergriff, Tom Welborn, Liz Hannah, Tracie Hellwinckel, Patrick Beasley, Brian Campbell, Beth MacDonald, and Craig Walker.

Ex officio members present were Ben Nanny, Ijams Nature Center, David McGinley, Stormwater Engineering, and Tom Simpson, State Forestry Division.

Minutes from the February meeting were approved.

Action Items for March Meeting	Responsibility	Target Date
City Update	Sam Adams	03/12/15
Events Reports/Upcoming Events	Education Committee Chair	03/12/15

**Shaded items will be removed after next meeting.*

Before normal business began, we took a few moments to meet our newest Board member, Nick Bridgeman, KUB Arborist. Nick will replace Liz (Elizabeth) Hannah as our KUB representative. We thank Liz for her tireless and devoted service, and we welcome Nick.

City Update by Sam Adams

Lakeshore Park Renovations: KUB has been actively involved in this project. They are currently working with Kasey to have trees installed along the fence that borders Lakeshore.

Dale Avenue streetscape is almost finished.

Highway Beautification along I-40 corridor, specifically the SmarFix 40 Corridor, continues, and is looking good.

Education Committee

Nick Bridgeman will replace Liz on this committee. The committee will focus on the following items in the upcoming weeks: Deciding who will chair, finalize committee assignments, decide what future events to become involved in, updating display boards, and discuss the Arbor Day 2015 kick-off.

Educational Outreach Events Reports

The most recent events that the Board participated in were the House and Garden Show, and the Neighborhood Conference. Many people were introduced to the Tree Board for the first time. Many good questions were asked, and a great deal of information was shared.

Sam Adams report on the Tree Foundation meeting that was held at IJAMS Nature Center. Discussed at this meeting were the structure of the future foundation, specifically, who will be included in the foundation's work, and the roles that the partners/stake holders would play in decision making relative to what projects to get involved with. Also discussed was the possibility of establishing by-laws for this group to be governed by.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:35 a.m.