Franklin Tree Board Minutes March 17, 2011

The meeting was called to order by Greg Cantwell. In attendance were Larry Nun, Greg Cantwell, Debra Swinehamer, Scott Swartz, Sherri Hall and Meg Jones. Chip Orner was absent.

The minutes of the previous meeting were approved on motion by Larry and second by Sherri.

There were no Committee Reports.

Old Business:

The City Arborists reported that they have been taking down dead and declining trees. The decline can be attributed to the drought of 2010.

Arbor Day – The Liberty Tree is shipping on March 28 to arrive in time for the Arbor Day celebration.

Tree Care Guide – Was presented to the City Council Monday, March 14. Monday the 21st will be the first public reading. April 4 will be the public hearing. If approved, the adoption date will be thirty days after publication.

There was some discussion about considering the licensing of tree company contractors. Larry will speak to Krista Linke of the Planning Department about this.

Jim Farr reported that four Tree City USA signs from the Arbor Foundation would cost \$264.75. He is checking to try to find a more economical source.

There was no New Business.

There were no public comments.

The meeting adjourned with a motion from Larry and a second by Meg.

Respectfully submitted,

Debra Swinehamer Secretary