Franklin Tree Board Minutes May 19, 2011 Franklin City Hall

The meeting was called to order by Gregg Cantwell. Roll call revealed the following present: Gregg Cantwell, Larry Nun, Debra Swinehamer, Sherri Hall, and Scott Swartz.

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

Committee Reports:

Jim Farr submitted a proposed Memo of Understanding (attached) for our opinions. Debra noted that section 5 was stronger than she felt necessary. Larry moved to start proceedings by forwarding the document to the City Attorney along with Debra's comments. Debra seconded the motion which was approved.

Jim noted that the Elm Institute was very pleased with the documentation furnished to them about our tree planting and celebration.

May 20 is the final day for submission of proposals to perform the Tree Inventory. One quote has been received so far.

David Harrell mentioned that 18 trees will be planted at Fire Station 23, twenty-six are scheduled for planting in Branigin Creek and twenty-five in Simon Farms. The D. B. Mann group will be providing some trees at Heritage Subdivision.

OLD BUSINESS The Tree City USA signs have not been put up yet.

Dialog about the possibility of licensing tree companies will take place with the City Attorney.

NEW BUSINESS

Debra volunteered to send postcards to area tree firms to notify them about the new Tree Care Guide.

The Indiana Urban Forest Council (IUFC) membership fee is \$75.00.Greg made a motion to apply for membership; Scott seconded the motion which was approved.

It was again noted that the web site needs to be updated.

Respectfully submitted,

Debra Swinehamer, Secretary