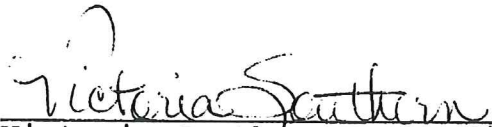


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Peggy reported that the present Christmas tree was in bad condition and stated that Perry recommended the Board consider getting a new tree. Discussion was held regarding location of the existing tree and putting in a new tree. Discussion was also held regarding the size and type of tree. Mary said she could get Davco to donate a live White Spruce tree from Laurel Creek Nurseries Inc. in North Carolina.

Tree City USA and Growth Awards - Pat reported Vickey sent the applications in to the Alabama Urban Forestry Commission and they have been approved and forwarded to the National Arbor Day Foundation for review. Hopefully we will hear from them before the Arbor Day festivities.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at approximately 10:20 a.m. The next meeting will be held Thursday, February 19, 1998.


Victoria Southern, Recording Secretary

know how much flexibility he had on moving the welcome signs. Mary stated that the West welcome sign could be moved anywhere. The third thing would be to add posts, columns or a 12 to 18" wall that would swing around to the front (some thing like Quail Creek). This would not be possible in all areas because it would be a traffic hazard. It would be suitable for the Sute property. Robin's goal is to create some thing that is going to speak highly of Foley and create more of a statement for Foley and speak of the type of character that Foley has. Robin feels that the type of plants need to be very well established plants.

Pat Brackin called for any corrections or additions to the January 19, 1998 minutes. Minutes were approved as mailed.

COMMUNICATIONS:

Administration - Pat reported that the Mayor informed her that Vickey's responsibilities are such that she will no longer be able to carry out the duties of the secretary to the Board and that a new secretary will be appointed in the next few weeks. Pat expressed thanks, on behalf of the Board, to Vickey for all she has done and also expressed appreciation to the City for supporting the Board by providing some clerical assistance.

Parks Department - Mark reported the ball fields look bad due to the weather. There is a lot of work ahead for the Parks Department.

Landscaping Department - Martin reported since the greenhouse is finished the Landscaping Department is back to spraying weeds and the holly trees. They are trying to get back to general maintenance.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Arbor Day - Mary reported Arbor Day is one week from this Saturday in John B. Foley Park. The ROTC will be presenting the colors, the Chorus and Brass Quintet will be present. Four little kindergartners will be reciting a poem. The new Christmas tree will be planted behind the present one. The tree is an Abies Firma, it is a slow grower and the only fir tree known to grow in this area. Coastal Woodland has donated the tree to the City. Discussion was held regarding planting the Christmas Tree and tree spade demonstration with the Drake Elm tree on the southeast side of the fountain. The Christmas and Drake Elm trees will be planted on Arbor Day. Mary will meet with Mark and Martin to discuss exact placement of the Christmas tree.

The City of Foley was awarded the Tree City USA and Tree City USA Growth Awards. Mary reported letters have been sent out requesting donations for a Yoschino Cherry tree to be planted in