

Minutes of the October 19, 2010 meeting 7:00 pm
Tanglewood Neighborhood MSTU

The fall meeting of the Tanglewood Neighborhood MSTU was held at the home of committee member and Chairman Anne Flaughner at 7:00 pm on October 19, 2010. Present were Dave Morrow, Anne Flaughner, Keith Gomez, David Ceilley and Mary Richey.

The minutes were read and approved as read.

Chairman Flaughner announced that Amera Tech was now Florida Evergreen; same company, but some new personnel.

Plantings - The plantings were discussed. The new oak that was planted in the median between Kenilworth and Westminster has lost a lot of leaves, but seems to be putting out buds. We hope the loss of leaves is due to the shock of planting. Dave Ceilley has been hauling water to the tree. It has been dry for several weeks, and that is not an irrigated median. Florida Evergreen did a good job of trimming this median.

Landscape maintenance trimmed and pruned the plantings at the Fairfield – Tanglewood intersection to improve visibility. Butterfly bushes were not a good choice for this location. They will have to continue to be cut back much further than natural. Perhaps at a later date they can be replaced.

Irrigation - Dave Morrow discovered that someone had tampered with the irrigation box at the Brentwood entrance. They popped off the cover and broke it. Ants nested in the box. As a result, the plants in front of the solar block walls were not watered. Some of them have died back, most particularly the silver buttonwood. A well established red stopper has lost leaves and will have to be cut back. There has been some sort of maintenance in that area which required digging. Youngquist put in a new timer, electronics and face plate at a cost of \$286.22. We need to have a notice in or on the box that someone should be called before controls are changed in or on the box. We decided to wait on a decision to replace dead plants until June. Some of the plants might come back now that there is irrigation. We hope that the plants were not sprayed with a herbicide.

Mulch – We decided to follow through with our decision to use pine bark mulch over existing mulch on the plantings where there is curbing, in the beds along the walls, and in the native plant median. We will use Floramulch around all trees. Florida Evergreen will be asked to get the mulch and do the work.

Tree Trimming – We will wait until Spring 2011 to have the trees hurricane trimmed.

Future planning - We will ask our advisor, Donna DeBerry for a preview of the proposed budget of the next fiscal year for our approval so we can plan ahead.

ADJOURN - Motion to adjourn by A. Flaughner, second by K.Gomez.

Respectfully, Mary Richey Secretary