ROCK HILL TREE COMMISSION

MINUTES For the meeting of

March 11, 2024 Operations Center Room 132

Members Present

Joshua Nypaver (Vice-Chair)
Tim Gillette
Robert Carter
Jarvis Miller
Hope Matthews (Chair)
Elden LeBrun

Members Absent
Jan McCoy

<u>Staff</u> Matt Clinton **Others**

The meeting was called to order at 5:10 p.m.

READING AND DISPOSAL OF MINUTES

The minutes of February 12, 2024, were approved.

FORESTER'S REPORT

Matt gave a summary of the Forester's report for February.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Matt started the discussion of the upcoming Earth Day Birthday event. The Tree Commission asked Matt to include the Arbor Day trees in the social media post. Matt is to reach out to the City's Communications team.

Matt reported the Memorial Trees were getting caught up. He found a large planting in Forest Hills Cemetery that could be utilized as Memorial Trees.

The group discussed potential Tree Commission initiatives and how it might be a good start to try to determine priorities. Matt asked the Commission to keep the likely 5-year grant, the Urban Forestry Master Plan and current staffing constraints in mind while setting goals. The Committee was asked to submit their own ideas for initiatives to Jarvis so he could compile these. One specific goal that was discussed was neighborhood meetings for education and tree advocacy.

NEW BUSINESS

OPEN FLOOR

ADJOURN

A motion was made and approved to adjourn at 6:12 pm.