

URBAN FORESTRY MTG. – MARCH 2017

Date: March 20, 2017; Location: Greenville Town Hall

Attendees: J.Eisch, J.Ziegler, P.Conrad, T.Nowak, J.Conrad

Guest: K.Eisch, T.James

Distribution: Jack Anderson, Dave Tebo, Wendy Helgeson

Meeting called to order at 6:35pm

Welcomed guest Tim James

Meeting Minutes-

- Reviewed minutes from January, date & location of next meeting was incorrect, minutes approved with these modifications
- *J.Conrad to send out Urban Forestry Board policy to board members*

Financial Report-

- No updates for discussion, no report reviewed

Landscape Beautification Award-

- Tony provided a draft program/nomination form based on discussion from last month, and on programs from other municipalities
- Discussed nomination form and made recommendations
- Form approved by voice vote
- Will publicize on website and facebook
- Form cannot make upcoming summer newsletter, but will be published in fall newsletter
- Recognition will be wall plaque and yard sign; will request landscape owner to display sign for 60 days
- Tony to investigate cost of yard sign, and option to sticker the award year
- Agreed to run the program one year and then review for modifications—including option for gift certificate or planting
- J.Conrad to review past notes for draft of verbiage for recognition yard sign

Arbor Day, April 28-

- Anticipating same program as last year—bare root seedlings, presentation by Ranger Services, all Greenville 5th grade classes, on the Friday before Arbor Day
- Tony working to contact school for arrangements; prior years contact is no longer in the school district
- Tony will order seedlings, packaging planned the Wednesday prior, April 26, at Town Garage; most of the UF Board members are available to assist

Tree Planting Class, Arbor Day-

- Will hold class again this spring, Saturday after Arbor Day, April 29
- Will stay with bare root trees, but a bit smaller in size
- Trees provided to attendees will be based on availability
- Tony has begun investigating options and pricing
- Target for 20 class members
- Will publicize through facebook and website
- Kathleen and Joel will be able to assist at the class

Website-

- Consultant has been chosen by town

- Contractor has presented layout, scope, function to town; after feedback has been reviewed and modifications made, build of website will begin
- Planning to have a feature that will allow visitors to focus on a specific tree and get information, view pictures, see locations if tree has been planted by town

Urban Forestry Website Article-

- Listing of native Wisconsin trees and trees that are good choices for landscaping--John
- Problem trees, poor surviving trees, or other “tree concerns;” recommended trees for planting in the area
- Send articles and/or links to Tony
- Should not be an issue if links are posted, as long as no credit is taken away from the source

Recognizing Past Urban Forestry Board Members-

- Discussed providing a plaque
- Discussed potentially planting a tree with a plaque of recognition
- Tony will investigate if other committees have any programs and understand their guidelines so there can be some alignment and consistency
- Will need to build some criteria for the recognition so there is consistency and a recording of protocol

Projects-

- CB Trail is complete, next steps would be plantings—Tony will investigate what is allowed (airport zone, business zone)

Next Meeting May 11, 2017; 6:30pm; Greenville Town Hall

- Agenda items—CB Trail, Review Arbor Day activities, Approve Resignation of L.Hughes, Any Information from Arborists seminar in Green Bay

Meeting Adjourned at 7:40pm

Respectfully Submitted – John Conrad, Chairman, Urban Forestry Board