

URBAN FORESTRY MTG. – MARCH 2019

Meeting Date: March 14, 2019;

Location: Greenville Town Hall

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

Guests: K.Eisch

Distribution: J.Anderson, J.Gregozeski, W.Helgeson, T.James

Meeting called to order at 6:40pm

Meeting Minutes-

- Reviewed January minutes; approved by voice vote

Financial Report-

- Reviewed spending to-date, along with anticipated spending for 2019
- Discussed new budget/accounting process and end-of-year procedures
- Categories shown in the Urban Forestry report are used for discussion and tracking within the Parks Department; the Town leadership and budget coordinator sees the lump sum and monthly spending, not the categories; details are made available if questions are raised.
- Urban Forestry financial categories also align to the Tree City USA reporting needs
- Budget update was approved by voice vote

Rain Gardens-

- No updates this meeting session

Landscape Beautification Recognition Awards-

- Anticipating presenting the award sometime after Arbor Day; presentation timing will be weather-dependent; photos will be taken and publicized through Parks Facebook site
- Yard sign will be ordered in the coming weeks that will be placed in the winner's yard
- Reminder that Urban Forestry Board members can nominate landscapes to receive the award

Arbor Day, Friday, April 26-

- Tree seedlings (Hackberry) will be sorted on April 24, distribution & school presentations on April 26
- Presentations have been confirmed with the school for 12:20pm and 1:00pm at the Greenville Middle school
- Ranger Services has been confirmed for the presentations
- Tree planting class for residents will be classroom session only, Saturday, April 27, 10:00am; no outdoor planting demonstration; Joel will assist with the class
- Tree planting class will offer bare root saplings, Sycamore, 3-4ft tall; Sycamores are native to Wisconsin, mostly in the southwest part of the state
- Class will be available to the first 20 registrants; one tree per household

Sustainable Communities Network-

- John to provide information to the Urban Forestry of presentation topics planned for 2019; SCN typically includes topics of invasive species, urban canopy, and environmental preservation

Miscellaneous-

- Discussed condition of trees and markers along trail on east side of highway 76, south of the pedestrian tunnel

- Discussed possibly upgrading the tree plantings and markers to include native and natural trees

Next Meeting Thursday, July 11, 2019; 6:30pm; Greenville Town Hall

Meeting Adjourned at 7:27pm

Respectfully Submitted – John Conrad, Urban Forestry Board Chair