

Buena Vista Tree Advisory Board

February 7 , 2019

In attendance were: Tom Liverman, Dan Murray, Roy Gertson , Patti Clark, Lin Spatcher, Shawn Williams, Cindy Swisher Town Trustee, Having a quorum of 5 members, a regular meeting continued at 0923 am. Dave Ludders (from Terra Firma tree services)

Agenda approved by President Tom

Minutes ; from January 3, 2019 approved with motion by Dan and 2nd by Patti

Volunteer time ; 2 hrs. Admin

2019 Total to date = 8 hrs.

Annual work plan approved by motion from Dan & 2nd by Tom, vote approved
Reports;

Public Works ; Shawn thanked Dave Ludders from Terra Firma for attending . Dave's crew completed the pruning and analysis of Forest Square Park. 42 trees were correctively pruned and others inspected for future removal. Dave discussed tree health & balanced structure pruning. Dave is studying for a certified Arborist license. Dave would like to instruct tree board members and the public for small tree pruning including E.Main St. as a future work session.

Shawn wants to inspect Park hazard trees and have removed before the tourist season.

Public Works has been removing tee posts and re-positioning deer guards.

Shawn will introduce our Annual Work Plan and an Arbor Day proclamation at next week's February 12th Town Council meeting.

Shawn discussed new development The Boulders , located just North of Arkansas St and N. Railroad Ave. 45 lots. Tree component still in design.

Shawn also mentioned the proposed new streetscape design for S. Railroad from Marquette to Baylor Ave. Components include new sidewalks, new pavement with storm water features and a tree scape. Project should be ready for 2019 construction.

Tree Board asked Shawn to contact business owners along E. Main to curtail using salt for de-icing and use other products that do not damage the tree scape.

Tree Board asked Shawn to contact Tractor Supply on removing trees straps growing into their Aspen trees.

Colorado State Forest ; Representative JT Shaver emailed not being able to attend, but will be available at our March meeting. He wants to set-up a tour with District Forester Vince Urbina for this spring.

Agenda Items :

1. Budget for 2019

Pruning & removal at \$22K

Operating and Arbor Day at \$1500

Adopt Tree at \$6K

We can utilize funds from the Street Improvement in the Capital Improvement fund for street tree maintenance. Shawn wants to identify hazardous trees for removals from this funding source.

2. Tree Order for Arbor day & Adopt a Tree

Shawn wants to request bids from Suser Tree Farm Canon City and LVWN (Little Valley Wholesale Nursery)

Members prepared a 20 tree list for this year's plantings.

Arbor Day

4- Spring Snow Crab
1- Sensation Box Elder

Adopt Tree

2-American Linden
4 spring Snow Crab
1- Radiant Crab
1- Royalty Crab
2- Canada Red Cherry
2 - Cottonwood Lanceleaf
2- Cottonwood -Plains
1- Autumn Blaze Maple

3. Colorado Tree Coalition tree grant: application was not approved for 2019. Recommended to re-apply in 2020. Tree Board will continue with the project which is the replanting of 5 trees along E. Main sidewalks for our Arbor Day project.

4. Educational Materials; Public Library wants to display our books along with their Earth Day celebration, April 22. Labels still need printed and placed on each book. After next meeting March 7th , members will distribute books to the schools.

5. Chamber Trade Show; Tom will contact for dates

Other Business; 1. Cindy asked about prairie dog damage to the trees at the Cemetery. Shawn to check out.

Next Meeting; March 7, 2019

Adjourned at 11:20, with motion by Dan , 2nd by Patti

Respectfully submitted,

Roy Gertson
Secretary