

Buena Vista Tree Advisory Board

March 7 , 2019

In attendance were: Tom Liverman, Dan Murray, Roy Gertson , Patti Clark, Lin Spatcher, Kathy Hoerlein, Shawn Williams, Cindy Swisher Town Trustee, JT Shaver Forester from CSFS.& Karley King , Public Works Admin Assistant. Having a quorum of 6 members, a regular meeting continued at 0908 am.

Agenda approved by President Tom

Minutes ; from February 7, 2019 motion with corrections by Dan and 2nd by Patti .
Motion carried.

Volunteer time ; 2 hrs. Admin

2 hrs book label

1 hr. calls for Educational book distribution

2019 Total to date = 13 hrs.

Annual work plan checked.

Reports;

Public Works ; Shawn & Karley presented tree order and approved budget for 2019. Tree Board Operating at \$1500; Adopt tree @ \$6000, & Pruning Maintenance @ \$22,000.

Shawn presented a Landscape Plan for the new Boulders Project located north of N. Railroad & Arkansas St. Tree Board discussed and looked over the plans to plant 99 trees. Several considerations of spacing and species were discussed. Board members to continue the review and send comments to Shawn.

Colorado State Forest ; Representative JT Shaver wanted to set-up a tour with District Forester Vince Urbina for April. Also, Adam Moore District Supervisor wants to attend our meeting.

JT mentioned issues pruning large Cottonwood trees in Salida Parks and using a resistance meter to determine tree trunk density. Hollow trunks can be discovered.

Tom asked about the increased moisture and snow this year has any affect on insect populations. The Spruce Beetle has spread to 1.8 million acres statewide. Monarch Pass and Ski Area have been affected with dead spruce trees & spreading into the Chalk Creek basin and Cottonwood basins. Really cold below zero temperatures for an extended time is what will curtail the spread, but not likely with our warming climate. Pheromone research is being conducted on Spruce Beetle control. JT also discussed the use of pheromone packets placed on trees in Alpine & St Elmo areas to control the Douglas Fir Beetle. JT mentioned the Spruce Budworm and effects on Douglas Fir trees ,also. The 2018 Forest Health report is being prepared and should be released soon.

Agenda Items :

1. Arbor Day; Planting May 17th, 5 trees along E. Main sidewalk. A display table will have brochures and free seedling trees . Lin will work on an article for the newspaper and teeshirts. Tom to work on a banner. Public works to order 50 seedling trees.

2. Tree Order for Arbor day & Adopt a Tree; 20 trees of several species have been ordered from Seuffer Brothers Nursery, from Canon City. 4 Ponderosa Pine trees have been ordered for Public Works tank project. Cost is \$4,030 delivered mid April. Public Works will have to water trees until Arbor Day May 17th, and adopt a tree plantings in June.

The 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. Earth day; Tree Board is providing the Public Library with donated tree books and brochures for the month of April. Actual Earth day is April 22nd. Patti to organize.

4. Adopt a Tree: we have 4 applications. Suggest applications to be displayed at the Library Earth Day display. Plantings to be decided, probably in early June.

Other Business; none

Final comments; Distribution of educational books to be after the meeting.

Next Meeting; April 4, 2019

Adjourned at 10:45, with motion by Patti, 2nd by Dan

Patti, Kathy, & Tom continued to distribute our educational books to the Avery Parsons Elementary Library, Boys & Girls Club, and Darren Patterson Christian Academy Library.

Respectfully submitted,
Roy Gertson
Secretary