

Buena Vista Tree Advisory Board

April 7, 2022

In attendance were: Tom Liverman, Roy Gertson , Kathy Hoerlein, Dan Murray, Mercedes Siegal-Gaither (CSFS) & Shawn Williams Public Works Director. Having a quorum of 4 members, a regular meeting continued at 0905 am.

Agenda approved by Chairman as presented

Minutes ; from March 3 , 2022 meeting , a motion to approve by Kathy and 2nd by Dan. Motion carried.

Volunteer time ; 2 hrs. Admin

8 hrs adopt tree scoping

2022 Total to date = 24 hrs.

Annual work plan for 2022 reviewed ok

Reports;

Public Works ; Shawn discussed Public Works projects for this year.

Hired a parks worker Chris Hartley , which is a certified arborist. One project possibility is performing a Tree GPS inventory using a program called “I Tree”.

Cemetery is being targeted for several improvements including sites for memorial trees. An old Bristlecone tree in Cemetery has died & needs removed.

A Tub grinder has been contracted to chip tree debris at Public Works yard. Chips will be available to the public.

A tour of South Main Phase 2 tree sites needs to be scheduled. probably in June.

Colorado State Forest ; Mercedes reviewed several areas that CSFS is working on fire mitigation. She will send members a list of alternative tree species that may be good experimental species to further diversify our urban forest.

Agenda Items :

1. Adopt tree applications of 26 dating back to 2019 are being considered. Plan to scope applications to determine trees sites and species, at 1st meeting in May. Sarah called & visited site applications. She developed valuable notes from each site.

A public relations flyer being prepared will describe our Arbor Day and benefits of our Urban Forest. Volunteers for planting will be welcome. Flyer will be posted on the My-BV web site and with Chaffee County Times.

2. Tree order will be delivered April 28 from Little Valley Wholesale Nursery.

5- Spring Snow crabapple

4- Radiant Crabapple

4- Royal Raindrops Crabapple

4- Canada Red Crabapple

1- Plains Cottonwood Jeronimus

1- Lanceleaf Cottonwood

1- Autumn Blaze Maple

1- David Elm

1- Sensation Box Elder

total 22 trees

Cost \$6705 + freight of \$ 1005.75 = \$7710.75

Plan is to perform plantings on Arbor day May 18th & 19th.

Other Business; Kathy will contact the Library to place our tree information display.

Final comments; none

Next Meeting; May 5, 2022 at 12pm at Sorelle Deli for lunch and short meeting.

Members will proceed to the adopt tree sites for staking.

Adjourned at 1058 with motion by Tom & 2nd by Kathy

Respectfully submitted,

Roy Gertson

Secretary