

Buena Vista Tree Advisory Board

September 5 , 2019

In attendance were: Tom Liverman, Dan Murray, Roy Gertson , Kathy Hoerlein, Patti Clark, Sarah Kuhn, Lin Spatcher, & Shawn Williams. Having a quorum of 7 members, a regular meeting continued at 0908am. also in attendance was Dave Ludders & Jeremy Bisher from BristleCone Tree Service

Agenda approved by President Tom after asking for any additions.

Minutes ; from August 1, 2019 meeting , a motion to approve by Tom and 2nd by Dan. Motion carried.

Volunteer time ; 2 hrs. Admin

10 hrs scoping pruning project Columbine Park

2019 Total to date = 113 hrs.

Annual work plan checked. Pruning scoping next project

Reports;

Public Works ; Shawn mentioned the Farm has lost several Box Elder trees. They will replace with a different species. Trees along Barnwood Ave have not been accepted by the Town. They are looking dry and not growing.

Shawn presented a new street design along S. Railroad from Marquette to Baylor ,including a tree lawn landscape. Project will not be ready for an Arbor day 2020 project. Plantings will be along the east side only in a constructed bio-swale. Trees will have to be hand watered for the three year period. An irrigation system would cost over \$15K with the tap fee and materials.4 trees per block for a total of 12 trees We will need species designation and spacing.

Boulders Subdivision landscape plan is pending. Town still wants two trees per lot , with one tree planted in rear of lots.

Shawn mentioned they have had several calls pertaining to the summer aphid infestation. The Town has this situation every year and does not spray insecticide.

The “Factory” to be constructed in Colorado Center Subdivision will have a landscape plan for us to review.

We need to watch the trees planted along E. Main that seem to be struggling , one at Boneshaker Bicycles and the Autumn Blaze near House Rock Kitchen.

Dead trees needing removal include locations at 420 E. Main, and 94 Tammie

Colorado State Forest ; no report

Agenda Items :

1. Shawn will set planting date for our remaining ball & burlapped trees. A Spring Snow crabapple tree at the Wayfinding sign along E. Main. This replaces a dead Elm tree. and a Box Elder Tree @ N. Railroad & E. Main. The 5 Ponderosa trees are being planned for the new water tank site, but watering is problem for the three year establishment. Tree Board offered assistance.

2. Board discussed budget ideas for 2020. We certainly need an increase for pruning of our aging Urban Forest. The Board recommended \$25K.
3. Columbine Park will be our 2019 pruning project. We have \$20K remaining in the budget. Some pruning costs were incurred during the May snow storm. Shawn does not have to advertise for bids since under \$25K cost. A bid from local company Bristlecone Tree Services was reviewed at \$23K with 53 prunes and 13 removals. Owners Dave & Jeremy discussed their bid and had attended the scoping workshop in the park. Their input was very valuable for the scoping. Motion by Kathy to award the bid to Bristlecone for a limit of \$20K. 2nd by Patti & Sarah. All members voted to approve. Project does include stump grinding. Shawn to proceed with a contract with start date of October 1st.
4. Board decided not to pursue a CTC grant. A good project is not ready and the grant for \$1000 is not really cost viable along with a Town match.

Other Business;

1. Patti will check out Library educational display and restock brochures
2. Lin is looking at a new design for our tee shirts. We have sold 19 shirts for a return of \$240 to be deposited with Town Hall.
3. Patti mentioned new planted trees within Sunset 3 triplexes need watered.
4. Tom checked newly planted Lindan along McDonald Ave. It's struggling ,but should be fine. Owners is watering.

Final comments; none

Next Meeting; October 3 , 2019

Adjourned at 10:34, with motion by Roy , 2nd by Tom, motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,
Roy Gertson
Secretary