

Buena Vista Tree Advisory Board

October 7, 2021

In attendance were: Tom Liverman , Dan Murray, Kathy Hoerlein ,Roy Gertson , Cindy Swisher, (Town Trustee) & Shawn Williams , Public Works Director. . Having a quorum of 4 members, a regular meeting called to order at 0912 am.

Agenda : no changes, approved by chairman Tom

Minutes ; from July 1, 2021 meeting , a motion to approve by Tom and 2nd by Dan. Motion carried.

Volunteer time ; 2 hrs. Admin

8 hrs Tree memorial plantings

total 10 hrs

2021 Total to date = 75 hrs.

Annual work plan 2021 reviewed ok

Reports;

Public Works ; Shawn discussed several items :

1. Factory landscape plans , no plantings this year.
2. New cemetery budget for 2021 requested \$60K with designated planting sites
3. S. Main Phase 2 being presented. Tree designs similar to Phase 1. However, Ash Trees are not available for alternating diversity. Need a different species. Plans presented to look over by the Board
4. Will hydro-mulch S. Railroad newly planted bio-swales. John Bears Landscaping will perform next year. PW has been watering weekly and will continue every 2 weeks.
5. Canada Red tree sprouts at 82 Kathy in yard is very extensive. Town can not accept responsibility due to lack of watering. and roots searching for water.
6. Shawn would like species and planting techniques for sidewalk conflicts. Root barriers were discussed.
7. Shawn has requested a new 2022 budget item focusing on land conservation & management including noxious weed management.
8. A tree inventory would be helpful for management

Colorado State Forest ; no report

Agenda Items :

1. Pruning /removal project for 2021. . BristleCone Tree Care bid of \$17, 300 was received. No other bids. Shawn will approve & schedule.
2. Budget requests for 2022 include : increase pruning / removals to \$30K. Adopt at tree & admin (Arbor Day) requested the same as 2021.

3.. Adopt tree program; Board suggested planting smaller species in town ROW to aid in long term maintenance. Board talked about charging a \$50 fee for applicants and the applicant paying for any replacement trees that have died. Board needs to prepare a watering handout to each applicant. Roy to look up previous watering instructions. A new application needs developed.

Other Business; 1. Two citizens have requested applications for Tree Board membership.

2. . Memorial trees (Ponderosa Pines) were planted for Past Tree Board members Barbara Little & Lin Spatcher in north McPhelemy Park. Need to develop a program for future years. Plaques would be nice, as well. Roy to compose an article.

1. Final comments; none

Next Meeting; November 4 , 2021

Adjourned at 1048 with motion by Roy & 2nd by Tom, motion passed

Respectfully submitted,

Roy Gertson

Secretary