

**CITY OF EDGERTON
CITY HALL
12 ALBION STREET
EDGERTON, WI**

TREE BOARD

Monday, April 5, 2021 at 5:30 p.m.

NOTE: PER EMERGENCY ORDER FACE COVERINGS ARE REQUIRED

REMOTE PARTICIPATION: To participate or view the meeting, please select the link to the meeting listed on the **calendar events** on the City website's home page at www.cityofedgerton.com.

1. Call to order; Roll Call.
2. Confirmation of Appropriate Meeting Notice Posted on Friday, April 2, 2021.
3. Approve August 31, 2020 meeting minutes.
4. Discuss 2021 Projects
 - A. DNR Grant
 - B. Gravel bed trees
 - C. Downtown trees
 - D. Update on memorial trees
 - E. Neighborhood street tree plantings in 2021
5. Discuss Arbor Day celebration - April 30, 2021.
6. Staff report.
7. Set next meeting and agenda items.
8. Adjourn.

cc: All Commission Members
Department Heads

City Administrator
City Engineer

All Council Members
Newspapers

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“Notice is hereby given that a majority of the Common Council is expected to be present at the above scheduled noticed meeting to gather information about a subject over which they have decision-making responsibility. The only action to be taken at this meeting will be action by the Public Works Committee.”

**AUGUST 31, 2020 TREE BOARD MEETING MINUTES
CITY OF EDGERTON**

Beckwith called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m.

Present: Adam Gould, Sarah Beckwith, Barb Bublitz and Robert Reynolds

Excused: Barb Steponkus and Bill Sachse

Others Present: City Administrator Ramona Flanigan and Municipal Services Director Howard Moser.

Flanigan confirmed the meeting agendas were properly posted on Friday, August 28, 2020 at the Post Office, Edgerton Library and City Hall.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: A Gould/Bublitz motion to approve the February 12, 2020 Tree Board meeting minutes passed on a 4/4 roll call vote.

2020 GRAVEL BED TREES: There were 58 trees in the gravel beds. All trees are growing well. Howard Moser stated the staff sent out 11 letters to properties that had trees removed to inquire if they wanted a replacement tree. Moser reported that 6 responses were received. A few of those properties requested more than one tree. As of now 10 trees have been reserved for replacement trees. The property owners will be given another week to notify the city if they want a replacement tree. After all responses are received, staff will send letters to property owners in the Orchard Heights subdivision to fill in where trees are needed.

DNR URBAN FORESTRY GRANT PROGRAM: The Board was presented with some ideas for the next DNR start up grant. The cemetery staff is currently working on an inventory of individual plots that may not be able to be sold to determine if trees can be planted there instead. The gravel bed trees would work great in those areas.

Howard Moser spoke to the Tech Ed teacher at the High School about building a solar kiln. He stated the school has also discussed this. The grant could fund the purchase of the materials to build the kiln. The school Tech Ed program would build the kiln and the City would work with the school to provide wood from trees that get taken down. Some of the grant money could be used to mill the ash wood that would be dried by the kiln. The students would then use some of the wood to build benches and other furniture for the parks.

The Board felt the first project using some of the grant funds would be to purchase the materials to build the kiln and also allocate some of the money to mill the trees. The rest of the grant funds could be used for reforestation at the cemetery and also to replenish the trees in the gravel bed.

NEXT MEETING DATE & AGENDA ITEMS:

Next meeting September 23, 2020 at 5:30 pm

- Gravel beds
- DNR Grant update
- Budget

Being no other business before the Board, a Beckwith/Gould motion to adjourn passed, all voted in favor.

Ramona Flanigan/wjl
City Administrator

Memo

To: Tree Board
From: Staff
Date: 4/1/2021
Re: April 5, 2021 Meeting

DNR Grant: The DNR grant we received will fund the following: approximately 30 trees in the cemetery, approximately 10 street trees; and a contractor to mill some of the logs from trees taken down this winter. The milled wood will be dried in the school's solar kiln. The lumber will be used by the school and the City for projects. The new trees will be placed in the gravel bed and planted in the fall.

Gravel bed trees: We will have 70 trees in the gravel bed this year. 40 are funded by the DNR grant and 30 will be paid for out of the 2021 budget. The list of trees ordered and a breakdown of the 2021 budget is attached.

Downtown Trees: As you are aware, the downtown Ash trees have been removed due to an infestation of Emerald Ash Borer. Many of these trees will be converted to lumber as discussed above. Replacement trees will be planted this summer. A draft list of the replacement trees is attached.

Memorial Trees: As we continue to have interest in the Memorial tree planting, we have begun to plant the memorial trees in Racetrack Park along IKI Drive. Over time, we hope to have a line of memorial trees along the entire IKI frontage of the park.

Neighborhood Trees in 2021: Last year we planted the majority of the gravel bed trees in Orchard Subdivision. Trees have been planted in the terraces of all the residents who wanted trees. The Tree Board should decide which neighborhood to focus on this year. Potential neighborhoods include: the subdivision behind the Piggly Wiggly, the golf course subdivision, West Meadows Subdivision, or selected "older" neighborhoods.

2021 Tree Purchases

Bareroot (Chestnut Ridge)

Street trees					Qua
Aesculus hippocastanum 'Baumannii'	Baumann's Horsechestnut	1 3/4"	\$122.00		2
Carpinus betulus	European Hornbeam	1 3/4"	\$94.00		3
Celtis occidentalis 'Ultra'	Ultra Hackberry	1 1/2"	\$95.00		3
Fagus sylvatica 'Riversii'	European Beech	1 3/4"	\$110.00		3
Ginkgo biloba 'Autumn Gold'	Autumn Gold Maidenhair Tree	1 3/4"	\$132.00		3
Gleditsia triacanthos inermis 'Northern Acclaim'	Northern Acclaim Honeylocust	1 3/4"	\$97.00		3
Gymnocladus dioicus 'Espresso'	Espresso Kentucky Coffeetree	1 1/2"	\$95.00		2 male
Liquidambar styraciflua 'Moraine'	Sweetgum	1 3/4"	\$99.00		2
Nyssa sylvatica	Blackgum	1 3/4"	\$132.00		2
Parrotia persica	Persian Ironwood	1 3/4"	\$115.00		1
Platanus x acerifolia 'Suttneri'	Suttneri London Plane	1 3/4"	\$81.00		2
Ulmus 'Patriot'	Patriot Elm	1 3/4"	\$97.00		3
Ulmus 'Morton Stalwart'	Commendation Elm	1 3/4"	\$97.00		3
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Short trees

					Qua
Amelanchier laevis 'Cumulus'	Cumulus Allegheny Serviceberry	1 1/2"	\$109.00		2
Crataegus crus-galli inermis	Thornless cockspur Hawthorn	1 3/4"	\$95.00		2 both City hall
Parrotia persica	Persian Ironwood	1 3/4"	\$115.00		2
Syringa reticulata 'Snow Dance'	Snow Dance Tree Lilac	1 3/4"	\$109.00		2
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Cemetery Trees

					Qua
Celtis occidentalis	Hackberry	1 3/4"	\$109.00		4
Corylus colurna	Turkish Filbert	1 1/2"	\$92.00		3
Fagus grandifolia	American Beech	1 3/4"	\$110.00		4
Fagus sylvatica 'Riversii'	European Beech	1 3/4"	\$110.00		3
Ginkgo biloba 'Autumn Gold'	Autumn Gold Maidenhair Tree	1 3/4"	\$132.00		3
Gymnocladus dioicus	Kentucky Coffee Tree	1 3/4"	\$102.00		1
Platanus x acerifolia 'Exclamation'	Exclamation London Plane	1 3/4"	\$82.00		3
Taxodium distichum	Bald Cypress	1 3/4"	\$109.00		3
Ulmus 'Prairie Expedition'	Prairie Expedition American Elm	1 3/4"	\$97.00		5
Zelkova serrata 'Green Vase'	Green Vase Zelkova	1 1/2"	\$95.00		1
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2021

Projected Expenses	
Stump grinding	\$ 500
Mill logs	\$ 1,000
Arbor day tree purchase/tree city (4 trees)	\$ 600
Linear arboretum trees	
Memorial tree purchase	\$ 500
Street trees/cemetery trees	\$ 7,888 70 bareroot
Tree planting supplies/ equip rental	\$ 2,500
Tree removal - contractor	\$ -
Total Expenses	\$ 12,988
Revenue	
Budget	\$ 9,500
Grants	\$ 5,000
Donations	\$ 500
Total Revenue	\$ 15,000
Total available funds	\$ 2,012