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

#### TREE BOARD

Monday, August 31, 2020 at 5:30 p.m.

- 1. Call to order; Roll Call.
- 2. Confirmation of Appropriate Meeting Notice Posted on Friday, August 28, 2020.
- 3. Approve February 12, 2020 meeting minutes.
- 4. Discuss planting 2020 gravel bed trees.
- 5. Consider application to DNR Urban Forestry Grant Program.
- 6. Staff report.
- 7. Set next meeting and agenda items.
- 8. Adjourn.

cc: All Commission Members

City Administrator

All Council Members

Department Heads

City Engineer

Newspapers

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## FEBRUARY 12, 2020 TREE BOARD MEETING MINUTES CITY OF EDGERTON

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

Present: Adam Gould, Sarah Beckwith, David Mancheski and David Esau.

Excused: Barb Bublitz, Barb Steponkus and Bill Sachse

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

Flanigan confirmed the meeting agendas were properly posted on Friday, February 7, 2020 at the Post Office, Edgerton Library and City Hall.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES:** A Gould/Mancheski motion to approve the January 13, 2020 Tree Board meeting minutes passed on a 4/4 roll call vote.

**2020 PROJECTS**: The Board reviewed a list of trees for the gravel beds. A total of 58 trees were on the list. 47 of the trees would be used for street trees and 11 will be used in Race Track Park. All the trees on the list provided are bare root trees and will be able to go into the gravel beds.

A Beckwith/Gould motion to approve the tree purchase list for the gravel beds passed on a 4/4 roll call vote.

**ARBOR DAY**: The Board would like to plant some ball and burlap trees at Central park around the pool area. Moser suggested planting the trees in the areas where trees were taken down on the south side of the park or in front of the Library. The budget for trees for the Arbor Day Celebration is \$500. Beckwith suggested an evergreen planted near the pool house. This tree can then be incorporated into the holiday lights.

One more tree was budgeted for the Memorial Tree Drawing. Gould stated that he would rather see the tree raffle done at Tobacco Days instead of on Arbor Day. Flanigan will contact the Edgerton Reporter to report on the day and time of the event. Gould suggested the celebration be held at 1:00 pm so the school kids can participate.

**DNR URBAN FORESTRY GRANT PROGRAM:** This program allows a community to have 3 seperate grants. The Board decided to table the application for the tree inventory grant. The Board will discuss other projects that may be eligible such as planting trees in lawns where no street trees are possible, or a training/educational program. Flanigan will contact Brian at the DNR to see what programs are eligible and if he has any suggestions.

**STAFF REPORT**: Moser reported on a change to the tree removal policy. The city will offer the logs from the trees being taken down to the property owners adjacent to the removed tree; if they don't want it, the wood will be taken to the DPW garage and it can be taken by the residents. Moser is talking to the DPW Director in Stoughton about a program to reuse the wood.

### **NEXT MEETING DATE & AGENDA ITEMS:**

Next meeting March 18, 2020 at 5:30 pm

- Gravel beds
- Arbor Day
- DNR Grant ideas

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: 8/27/2020

Re: August 31, 2020 Meeting

**Fall planting:** There are 58 trees in the gravel bed. 11 of those are slated for Racetrack Park. Staff sent out 18 letters to property owners who had street trees removed from the terrace in front of their homes asking if they want a replacement tree. Once we know the number of trees available, we will send letters to residents of Orchard Heights Subdivision, as that was the subdivision the Board selected.

2021 DNR Urban Forestry Grant: Staff has the following ideas for the Next DNR start up grant:

- a cemetery "reforestation" project using gravel bed trees;
- purchase materials for a solar kiln to be constructed by Tech Ed students;
- funds to mill the ash wood to be dried in the kiln (we would use some of the ash lumber for park furniture), and
- gravel bed replacement trees for removed ash trees.