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TREE BOARD MINUTES

MONDAY APRIL 4TH, 2022

PARK BUILDING - 500 7TH AVE SW, @ 5:30

1. Roll call – Ron Lenth, Joshua Johnson, Kyle Scheel, Jeff Milks, Bill Brownell, Robby McKeeman

2. Absent: Robby McKeeman

3. Call to order: 5:35pm

4. Approval of Monday March 7th, 2022, minutes

Motion Brownell Second Scheel

Aye All Nay None

5. Community Forestry Grant

Johnson explained that he applied to this grant to purchase approximately 30 trees that will be planted in Woodlawn Cemetery. Johnson stated that the trees would be planted along the drainage area to help stabilize the bank. Johnson showed the board the line of trees that are currently planted there and that they are all ash trees that will be lost due to EAB. Johnson stated that the city would receive notice on April 11th if they were awarded the grant or not. Johnson stated that he would like the boards help planting these trees on May 6th as part of the United Way, Day of Caring.

6. Arbor Day Planting

Johnson stated that he will turn in the Arbor Day Proclamation to be read at the council meeting on April 25th at 6pm at City Hall. This is a requirement of the Tree City designation, and all were invited to attend the meeting. Johnson stated that Arbor Day is on Friday April 29th and that they would be planting a few trees on Saturday the 30th. Johnson stated that Lisa and Joe Bahe will be bringing the girl scouts and 4H clubs to help that day as Johnson invited all board members to attend as well.

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7. Free Seedlings Grant

Johnson stated that he applied for 50 seedlings this year and they will receive these the last week in April from the DNR Forestry Department. Johnson stated that he contacted the school FFA program to hand these seedlings out to kids and to have a tree board member do a planting

demonstration.

8. United Way - Day of Caring

Johnson stated that he would appreciate all board members to attend on Friday May 6th to help plant trees at Woodlawn if they receive the grant. Johnson stated that if they do not get the

grant there are several other projects that they could bring volunteers to help out with.

9. Old business

Johnson reminded the board that they need to start looking for locations for the tree planting in the fall. Johnson stated that he will develop a form for board members to take when talking with the homeowners so they can show where they would like to have a tree planted in the boulevard. Johnson reminded the board that they took several ash trees down in the northwest

and started into the northeast last fall.

10. New business

None

11. Adjourn: 6:02 pm

12. Next meeting – May 2nd, 2022