

**MINUTES
TREE BOARD
SEPTEMBER 21, 2017**

CALL TO ORDER

Dan Bullock called the meeting to order at 6:12 pm on September 21, 2017 in the Town Hall meeting room.

ROLL CALL

The following members were present for roll call:

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| Members Present: | Dan Bullock, Co-Chair Joann Teeple, Member Kim Bock, Member |
| Town Staff Present: | Angie Sprang, Board Administrator Laurie Lindberg, Town Liaison |
| Guests & Observers: | Patrick Hunter, Environmental Board Smiley Wise, Streets Supervisor |

CONSENT AGENDA

Motion Passed: Kim Bock ***moved*** to approve the minutes from August 10, 2017. Dan Bullock, ***seconded*** the motion, and it was ***unanimously approved***.

PERSONS PRESENT NOT ON THE AGENDA

There was no one present who wished to address the board.

METHODS FOR LABELING TREES IN PUBLIC RIGHT OF WAYS & PARKS

Patrick Hunter proposed posting 3 inch by 5 inch arboretum tags for trees around town, which would be affixed with nails. Colin Quinn, also a member of the Eboard, presented the idea and the Eboard has dedicated \$1,000 to the budget for the project pending approval from the BOT. Discussion ensued. Dan Bullock noted that the Tree Board has used tree tags for Kay Burnay trees, and within two years those tags have disappeared. Public works noted that the mowing would be cumbersome if the plaque, so if there was a plaque program initiated it is recommended that they be affixed to the trees. Dan mentioned the Otocast app used by the Public Works Commission Art Around Town exhibit. Laurie Lindberg provided information about the Otocast app, and provided a brief demo. It was a highly favored idea among the board. An app guided spring, fall, and summer tree walk would be a favored idea. Joann Teeple noted that standard arboretum practice is to affix a plastic covered metal sign on the north side of the tree, and that it would be in the trees best interests not to use a screw/nail. The tree board already has a spreadsheet of all the trees planted in public right of way and in parks for the Kay Burnay tree program, which the Eboard can use. Patrick noted that they could start with handouts, create a tree walk app, and then increase the program as needed. Dan will swing by Sopris Park and see what Kay Burnay trees have plaques, and will communicate back to Patrick by Monday (9/25).

Joann mentioned the possibility of holding a Siberian Elm seed/sapling hunt, with rewards for the most collected.

TOWN ARBORIST SEARCH

Laurie reported that the search is well under way. The deadline for application submissions is at the end of September.

ALTERNATIVE METHODS HOLIDAY TREE LIGHTING

Discussion ensued regarding different methods for tree lighting. Laurie and Smiley presented ideas regarding the San Antonio, Texas river walk. Smiley noted that the trees on Main Street would be

decorated and suggested that not each tree needs to be decorated the same, and a mix of designs may be ideal. Smiley noted that we Public Works can choose the light design that would be best for that specific tree. The Tree Board was in favor of mixed design lighting that is suited for the individual tree.

TOC ENVIRONMENTAL BILL OF RIGHTS (EBOR)

The EBOR was presented to the board. Discussion ensued. Comments for concern were noted regarding the LED street lights, and their brightness on the east side of Sopris Park. Laurie and Smiley will look into checking the alignment of the light.

ASPEN TREE SERVICE DONATION PLANTING IN GIANETTI PARK, IN MEMORY OF PAUL, PROPOSED OCTOBER 13, 2017

The Aspen Tree service is donating a tree, possibly an oak tree, on October 13, 2017. Discussion ensued regarding the proposed location to plant the donated tree. The board is open to Town staff choosing the location, and leaves it to their discretion.

The next meeting will likely be held October 26, 2017 at 6:00 pm pending confirmation.

ADJOURNMENT

The September 21, 2017, regular meeting adjourned at 7:36 p.m. The next regular meeting is scheduled on October 26, 2017 at 6:00 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Angie Sprang
Board & Commissions Clerk