

Anchorage Forestry Board Meeting Minutes, July 2, 2018, City Hall

Call to order 8:50AM

Attendees: Ellen Welham, Lucy Spickard, Jan Ruzich, Nancy Wilkinson, Diane McAllister, Nan Dryden, Ursula Brooks, Paul Wessel, Donnie Walker, Connie O'Connell, Erwin Booth, Reneé Major, and Andrea Hanlon.

Minutes: Minutes for May and June were unanimously approved, after motion by Diane and second by Nan.

City Forester report:

—**Permits and Fines:** Total of 73 permits for June, 18 were Ash. There were no fines or appeals.

City issues:

—**Wagner Park-**Connie O'Connell, the picnic tables are being used.

—**Hobbs-** There has been some storm damage. Lucy will send photos.

Old Business

—**Bellewood:** The Wishing tree provided by Forestry Board has died. No guarantee on the cost of the tree. Forestry will replace the tree in the fall after more discussion, perhaps a Tulip Poplar. Don will put a sign on the tree advising of the plan for the July event at Bellewood. We will get prices in the future and perhaps the city will plant.

—**Ridge Rd.:** Nancy and Jan are looking into cleaning up landscaping along Ridge Rd. The Nandinas have died. Considering pine straw along that area. The area needs watering if planting there.

—**Forestry was asked by City Council to survey city Circles and Triangles:** Forestry would give recommendations for cleaning up, planting new trees, landscape etc. We were assigned the areas. Will report back by July 15 with time for approval by Andrea for end of July. City Council Meeting is the first week of August.

—**Canopy Campaign:** Diane will contact growers by mid-July to see what they might have. She will select 6-8 trees and have approved by Andrea.

New Business

—**Vine Hut:** Lucy has a place to collect funds for the vine hut project at Bellewood.

—**Bellewood School Garden Open House July 30.** Publicize the event at local churches etc...

—**Canopy Campaign:** Include the cost of the tree guard in the price of the trees. Residents may return their unused tree guards if needed.

—**Calendar:** We will suspend the calendar for the 2019 calendar and try to gauge interest before making it a permanent deletion from our Forestry Programs.

—**City Council:** Report given by Connie and Booth.

—**City Newsletter:** September Newsletter will have the order forms for Canopy Program. August newsletter will have article to give advance notice.

Adjourned: 9:55 AM Next **meeting:** August 6, 8:45 AM.

May Minutes submitted by Nan Dryden.