

**ANCHORAGE FORESTRY BOARD
JULY 11, 2022 - CITY HALL**

ATTENDEES Chair Jan Ruzich, Adele McCoy, Lucy Spickard, Ellen Welham, Paul Wessel, Nancy Wilkinson, City Forester Andrea Hanlon, City Administrator Reneé Major, City Council Liaison Jason Walters, Director of Public Works Gary Burkhead, Tyleen Stoutt

CALL TO ORDER Jan called the meeting to order at 8:45 AM.

REVIEW OF MINUTES Since the June 6 meeting did not have a quorum, there were no minutes to be approved.

FORESTRY REPORT

Permits Sixteen permits were issued in June for removal of 46 trees, of which 2 were Ash. Two properties, respectively, requested removal of 11 and 13 trees.

Status of City issues Gary reported that trimming continues in the areas along the railroad tracks.

ARBOR DAY TREES Andrea has contacted Bouldin Nursery. They are compiling a spring tree list and will send it soon.

OLD BUSINESS

Park Road Project Lucy presented the preliminary landscaping plans suggested by Barbie Tafel, which include diagrams of the four areas and itemization of plantings to be retained and removed. Lucy has attempted to contact the family associated with the memorial bench but has been unable to locate them; the declining dogwood near the bench will be replaced. Andrea has already approved removal of the dogwoods. The board discussed the submitted plan. Lucy made a motion to accept the plan and to obtain an estimate; Ellen seconded; the motion passed unanimously. The board will review and approve the estimate before work begins.

Invasive Plants Ordinance Lucy distributed an updated draft of the proposed ordinance. Lucy made a motion to present to City Council at its July 11th meeting the Revision F of the ordinance as written; Nancy seconded. The motion passed unanimously. Jason will sponsor the proposal.

NEW BUSINESS

Canopy Campaign Andrea will have the tree lists soon. The order forms and tree information will be included in the September *Anchor Age*; the order deadline will be in mid-September.

Tree-planting rebates Nancy will contact TreesLouisville to learn whether Anchorage residents qualify for rebates offered to Jefferson County residents who plant trees.

TREE CITY USA / GROWTH AWARD - Jan

Jan attended a webinar on urban soil maintenance. She will share the link with any interested Board members. We will earn Growth Award points for attending.

CALENDAR - Jan

Jan continues to explore ideas for the 2023 calendar.

NEWSLETTER - Ellen

The August *Anchor Age* article will list several factors to consider when choosing and locating trees and will tie that information to an explanation of the trees offered and placement of them as specified for the annual fall Canopy Campaign.

CITY COUNCIL REPORT - Jan

Jan gave the City Council report.

ADJOURNMENT Jan adjourned the meeting at 10:00 AM.

NEXT MEETING: Monday, August 1 - 8:45 AM - City Hall

Respectfully submitted by Ellen Welham