

**FORESTRY BOARD MINUTES
MARCH 4, 2019 - CITY HALL**

ATTENDEES: Lucy Spickard, Chair; Jan Ruzich; Adele McCoy; Paul Wessel; Donnie Walker; Ann Stivers; Andrea Hanlon

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

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Since a quorum of board members was not present, approval of the February minutes will be delayed until the April meeting.

FORESTER REPORT (Andrea):

- There were 22 permits in Feb., of which 4 were for ash trees. There were no fines.
- LG&E is beginning its 4-year pruning cycle. Andrea will meet with an LG&E rep and will monitor closely.
- Through the League of Cities, Ecotech has donated a maple tree to the city. The tree will be donated to the Anchorage Garden Club for planting at Hobbs Chapel. Andrea will work with Gary and the Anchorage Garden Club.

MONTHLY VOLUNTEER HOURS: Lucy asked members for their volunteer hours, excluding meetings.

HAZARDOUS TREES: Public Works will remove hazardous trees.

ARBOR DAY

- Andrea has contacted the nursery.
- Lucy distributed the Arbor Day checklist.
- As Tavia Cathcart Brown is no longer available, the speaker will be June Sandercock, who will discuss butterflies in crisis.
- Refreshments will include cake balls (Jan), pretzels and chips (Adele and Nancy), and cookies.

OLD BUSINESS

- Lucy will visit the Douglass Hills Tree Museum.
- Renee and Gary have met with Mimi Zinniel and LuAnn George from the Indian Hills City Council. They are interested in forming a forestry board and will attend the Arbor Day program.
- The tree honoring Brian Rublein has been planted at Wagner Park.

NEW BUSINESS:

- The Owl Creek Garden Club has donated five copies of *The Hidden Life of Trees* to the Forestry Board. We will send a thank-you note. The books will be made available for residents to check out. **The cost of the 5 books were \$92.75.**
- Two dead trees need to be removed before the Ecotech tree is planted at Hobbs Chapel.

TREE CITY/GROWTH AWARD: We have earned both awards again for 2018.

CITY COUNCIL REPORT (Lucy): Lucy gave the report.

NEWSLETTER (Ellen): The April edition will summarize the Arbor Day event. It will also discuss invasive plant species, mention the opinion piece on the topic by resident David Naselsker, and include relevant online resources suggested by Andrea.

ADJOURNMENT: Lucy adjourned the meeting at 10:15 AM.

NEXT MEETING: Mon., April 1; 8:45 AM

Respectfully submitted by Nancy Wilkinson & Ellen Welham