

Anchorage Forestry Board Meeting Minutes
Sept. 12, 2016
Anchorage City Hall 8:45 AM

Attendees: Ellen Welham, Ann Stivers, Ursula Brooks, Don Walker, Nan Dryden, Andrea Hanlon, Erwin Booth, and Renee' Majors.

Minutes: Ellen made motion, Nan seconded, and all agreed to approve the August minutes.

Forester Report:

----Lucy left an email which reported that there were 7 August permits. There were 10 total trees removed and of those 2 were Ash.

----Renee reported one fine was paid in August, and one fine is being appealed tonight at City Council for a resident on N. Osage Rd. A resident on Evergreen Rd will be appealing their fine, but they did not follow through on an emergency approval and haven't done anything so far to appeal their fine. Andrea determines the fine. The resident contends the tree was damaged, and the case is pending.

----The City is waiting to award the contract for the Wagner Park path. City Council approved the bids. Contractor is starting work on Bellewood today, if they do a good job they will be awarded the asphalt path through Wagner Park.

----Andrea reported she met with Anchorage Crossings property managers, and they had several trees that needed to come down. She is confident that they will replant.

Canopy Campaign: Ellen, Nancy, and Nan make up the committee. Thank you to Angie for taking on the tasks of receiving the order forms, tallying the orders, and collecting the money. Ellen has submitted the Sept. Newsletter order form and information. Deadline for residents' orders to be in at City Hall is Sept. 15. City Hall is sending out a reach alert and Godaddy email today or Wednesday to remind residents of the Canopy Deadline Thursday, Sept. 15. Nan will contact Massey Nursery with the orders by Friday, and will call to submit add any additional tree orders that come late.

Hazardous Trees: Ursula is the Chairperson. Maps from Lucy were in the Forestry Mailbox. Assigned quadrant areas to Forestry members to be assessed for trees that are dead or in decline, and that are hazardous in the right of way. Diane and Lucy have completed the Northeast, top right quadrant. (Osage, Springhill Gardens, Lucas, etc.) Don and Nan will do Southwest (blue), Ann and Jim will do Southeast (Pink) Ellen and Nancy will do Northwest (yellow). Send Angie the completed lists when finished. Deadline is next meeting, Oct. 3. Andrea will recheck the trees identified on the list and then give list of hazardous trees to Booth and his City Maintenance Dept. for removal.

Calendar Project: Lucy and Renee have been working on this. Renee has the calendar, and showed for review and comments. Lucy will send to printer this week. Change Arbor Day from Mar. 15 to Mar. 22 due to conflict with OCCC NCAA Basketball draw. Also, move Tree GiveAway to March 26.

Old Business: Thank you to Paul, Nancy, Diane, and Ellen for staying after Aug. meeting to stuff envelopes for residents involved in the MSD project.

Renee said one resident received the MSD project letter, and they have two frontages. They want to put Canopy trees along the side. Lucy agreed that the resident could put a dogwood in her backyard that faces Bellewood, but outside of the 20' easement. A canopy tree could be planted in the backyard that faces Bellewood within the 20' easement. Nancy responded that the resident was not interested in a dogwood for her yard.

New Business: none

Meeting adjourned: 9:35 AM.

Next meeting: Oct. 3, 2016 at 8:45 AM.