



Bel Aire Tree Board

CITY HALL – SENIOR CENTER

Monday June 23, 2025

6:00 P.M.

Call to Order: Time ___ 6:05 PM _____

Present:

- ☒ Sharon Armbrister
- ☒ Rebecca Armstrong
- ☒ Emily Graber
- ☒ Julie Hopkins
- ☒ Bruce Roepke
- ☒ Hilde Yops

1. **Guests:** Maria Schrock, city attorney - Membership Ordinance Changes and Open Meetings Rules.

-KOMA, Kansas Open Meetings Act, the Tree Board will follow the statute stating we must make public the date, time, and location of meeting. No agenda required, if we make one, it must be shared prior to meeting. Statute also requires at least 4 members (a majority) to have an official meeting, by law, there cannot be a meeting without a majority.

-Provided an edited version of bylaws for Tree Board members to review.

-Edited member numbers from 7 to 9 in bylaws. Must take into account higher quorum. Tree Board will discuss.

-Three or less members in a discussion is ok, but no group chat for meeting planning. Planned events is a safe place for group discussion, no new business or planning to be discussed.

-KOMA violations are self-reported. All violations are posted on the Kansas Attorney General site.

-Board vacancies have to be filled ASAP.

2. **Approval of Minutes Last Meeting**

- a. Motion: Bruce
- b. Second: Sharon
- c. Vote: All yea

3. **Board Member Reports:**



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- a. Communications-
 - i. Bel Aire Breeze: 150 words: Bradford Pear exchange Ks. Forestry. Read the vinyl piece written by Nick Bishop and agreed that this was the best for now. The Bradford pear survey should be encouraged by Bishop to go into water bill.
 - ii. City Hall: How many HOA's and can we go to talk with them?
- b. Hilde- Plaque Updates: get together sometime this month.
- c. Bruce- City Council Meeting Report:
- d. Jesse-Lions Club and Chamber of Commerce - *no longer a member*
- e. Emily-Park Clean Up and Outreach - Saturday will be doing the Bel Aire Park. Starting at 8am.
- f. Sharon-Community Engagement: ask the public facilities what their roles are so we understand what we can do or expect. Sprinklers.
- g. Rebecca-Progress and Events:

4. Business:

- a. Gmail address
 - i. Challenges
- b. Community Alliance for Trees
- c. Events
 - i. Spruce Ups:
 - 1. Bel Aire Park
 - ii. Eagle Lake July
 - iii. Denise Park August [Girl Scout coordination]
 - iv. Aly Park [Disc Golf Park]
 - v. Central Park October Planting....support from the community
 - vi. November Educational
 - vii. Counting Trees/Pictures
 - 1. Plaques replaced
 - 2. Mulching
 - 3. Other
 - 4. Expanding Engagement

5. Adjournment: _____

- a. Motion: Hilde
- b. Second: Bruce
- c. Vote: Yes all.



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VOLUNTEER HOURS

NAME	DATE	ACTIVITIES	TOTAL TIME
R Armstrong	May-June 2025	Contact community supporters, plan meetings and schedule. Water trees and plants Eagle Lake Bel Aire Park and City Hall. Meeting Agendas and minutes completed.	18 hrs
H Yops			
E Graber	June 23, 25	Emails, flyers, meeting	8.0
J Miller			
S Armbrister			
B Roepke			
J Hopkins			
Total Month:			
Total Year:			