



Urban Forestry Commission

Cravath Lakefront room 2nd floor 312 West
Whitewater Str, Whitewater, WI, 53190 *In Person
and Virtual

Monday, February 26, 2024 - 4:30 PM

Meeting Minutes

CALL TO ORDER

Meeting called to order at 4:30 by Stanek

ROLL CALL

Present: Sherry Stanek, Patrick Taylor, Bill Chandler, Rose Mary Leaver, Brienne Brown

Absent: Ryan Tevis, Nick Alt

Staff: Andrew Beckman (phone), Kevin Boehm

APPROVAL OF MINUTES FROM JANUARY 22, 2024

Approval of Minutes for January 22, 2024. Motioned to approve by Taylor with the addition of the title meeting minutes to the aforementioned minutes. Second by Leaver. Motion passed by voice vote.

HEARING OF CITIZEN COMMENTS

None given

TREASURER'S REPORT

None given

OLD BUSINESS

None

CONSIDERATIONS / DISCUSSIONS / REPORTS

Motion by Stanek to move presentation and discussion from Jaime Wiegel regarding the Whitewater Effigy Mounds to the beginning of the meeting. Brown seconded. Motion passed by voice vote.

1. Jaimie Wiegel gave a presentation on the Whitewater Effigy Mounds.

TREE CITY

2. Community Tree Sale dates are April 26th, 27th and 28th.

We need to establish times for the sale each of those days.

- After discussion by the group, Stanek suggested 10am-2pm for the 26th and 27th and 12pm -2pm on the 28th

We need to discuss the organizing of volunteers for receiving trees/plants, organizing and tagging them for sale.

- Tabled
- 2. Update on Arboretum Grant
 - Boehm gave an update that everything has been submitted
- 3. Discussion regarding Arboretum signage.
 - Stanek stated there was a 5k donation. Boehm to follow up.
- 4. Discussion and update regarding tree tags.
 - Stanek led a discussion on tree tags, Beckman stated he didn't want anything to screw to any trees.
- 5. Discussion and possible approval of Territorial Tree Playground Ideas.
 - Discussion was had on some ideas for using the wood from the Territorial Tree. Group agrees to doing something but not sure what yet. Have discussion with Landmarks committee.

BIRD CITY

- 6. Discussion and update regarding the 2023 Bird City Application.
 - Stanek discussed the changes with the Bird City group

NEW BUSINESS

- 7. Discussion on Spongy Moth and Pest Management Plan.
 - Beckman led a discussion on Spongy Moths being found on City owned trees and updated on other invasive insects and their proximity to Whitewater.
- 9. Discussion regarding how to recruit new members for the Urban Forestry Commission.
 - Tabled
- 10. Discussion regarding the 2024 Bird Fair.
 - Tabled

FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

ADJOURNMENT

Motion to adjourn by Leaver, seconded by Brown. Motion carried by voice vote. Meeting adjourned at 6:47

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