

Minutes from March 19th, 2019 Urban Forest Board meeting

Board members present : Bruce, Charlie, Kriss, & Sharon constituting a quorum.

Staff present: Kathleen Humpa and Edd Randall

The minutes from the February 2019 meeting were read and approved.

The financial report was again the same with a balance of \$3790.62

Kathleen gave the arborist report. She handed out some photos (street maps) which showed some places for missing trees, and reported on efforts with Todd Hunkler to locate some spots for Habitat Housing tree planting. We may transplant some of the Elizabeth Warren maples, which are struggling, to some Habitat location which offers more protection. The Arbor Day planting at "C" Street Park is shaping up well. Emerson students will be helping plant what likely will be spruce trees.

A lengthy discussion took place about Elizabeth Warren planting. It seems that we are now leaning toward replacing/removing some of the trees in order to plant around 25-30 new ones of a more hardy species. Someone will drive around the area to see if there are some existing species which are doing well, in order to get some ideas.

On Rowe Road it appears we are moving ahead with planting about 12 trees across the street from Propane Services Inc. Charlie delivered to Bruce the encroachment permit from DOT and the letter of no objection from the company that owns the Builders Choice property. There will need to be agreement that B-SB will install the necessary items for watering before we proceed.

Kathleen will make this year's tree order by the end of March for delivery in May.

No progress or new comments were offered on a couple of subjects, those being: the Montana Street watering system and the letter to Safeway Corporate office.

A discussion on tree trimming and 1st aid occurred with Sharon stressing the need for us to wear eye protection while trimming. Meeting adjourned 2:50 PM.

Next meeting April 16th.

