

Urban Forest Board Feb 2022 minutes

Meeting called to order by Chairman Bruce at 1:03 PM

All seven board members present along with Arborist Trevor Peterson

January minutes approved by motion as sent out earlier.

No change in financial report from January, no money in, no money out.

Arborist report: a bee keepers club has been started in B-SB, one board member wondered if bee hives were allowed or prohibited by any ordinance. An RTP grant has been submitted for a brush hog type machine to clear around Butte walking trails. The fruit tree innovation grant project continues for Basin Creek Park. Arbor day grant will be used to place some new trees at Emma Park. Some elevated tree planters by the Civic Center will be removed as the trees in them are dying. There is \$4000 in the budget this FY for new trees. Trevor says Cashman nursery will have trees available anytime we want to order some. No update on the Program Development grant which was submitted for trees along the Continental Drive corridor. There are two species, Ginkgo and Japanese Lilac, that will require an advanced reservation.

Linda wants to put together a community event for Arbor Day this year. She has put together a draft flyer for public information.

Bruce conducted a goal setting exercise for the board in 2022. The results are as follows:

- Plant \$5000 worth of trees on Harrison Ave
- Public awareness events for Arbor Day and at Mayfair
- Install 10 more new (Gallis Frame) tree grates and do an inventory of all the old grates around town
- Review the current state of the tree inventory with Trevor and the GIS office
- Finish Rowe Rd planting and irrigation emitters
- Trim 100 trees
- Raise \$2000 from local corporations
- Write letter to Council/ Co. Attny concerning the Right of Way/tree ownership issue

A motion was made and approved to adopt these goals.

Meeting adjourned at 3:30 PM Next meeting March 15th, 2022