

City of Pierre
Arbor Committee Minutes
Tuesday, June 26, 2018

The June 2018 meeting of the City of Pierre Arbor Board was held at the City Hall large conference room. Ron Schreiner called the meeting to order at 12:05pm. Those in attendance were Board Members: Ron Schreiner, Chuck Humphrey and Mark Smith. Excused were Art Smith, Will Hanson, and Ton Dorschner; Ex-Officio Members: Tom Farnsworth and Todd Kelly and guest Deseree Corrales were also in attendance.

Motion by Humphrey, second by Smith to approve the minutes of the May 1 meeting. Carried.

Motion by Humphrey, second by Smith to approve the minutes of the May 15 special meeting. Carried.

The agenda for this meeting was approved as presented.

Old Business:

Landscape Ordinance -

The City Commission has passed the amendment proposed by the board.

Tree planting guide brochure:

No report.

Community Orchard project:

Deseree explained the fence was not complete due to an oversight in the order by Baumann Lumber. This has been ordered now and will soon be completed. Tree sponsor signs are now in place by the trees. Additional fabric and mulch is being applied. M&R signs has four sponsor signs to be installed on the fence next month.

Deseree explained the use of Neem oil spray for pest management and a management plan was handed out. All trees were doing well with the exception of four; these will be replaced at a later date. All agreed this is good for a community planting by various people. Deseree handed out proposed rules for use of the orchard she plans to place as a sign on the fence or entrance point. Budget is doing ok; a community foundation grant may be sought for the shed and some security lights. The board appreciated the update and thanked her for attending.

EAB Update:

Rachel could not attend the meeting, Farnsworth handed out a power point presentation the Sioux Falls Park Department had made to the Sioux Falls City Commission in June on how they were working on efforts to control the EAB issue. It showed the management plan and the possible use of wasps for helping to eradicate the EAB borer. It is still the intent of the City of Pierre to follow the direction of the Arbor Board and no ash tree removals are being done in the City at this time.

New Business:

Flag Pole:

The board will request \$500 be added to the 2019 budget to purchase a flagpole for the City orchard site. This will allow the Tree City USA flag to be flown and the City of Pierre flag. It will not have to be lighted.

Commissioner Johnson had asked this be considered when she attended the community orchard planting. The flag would be 3X5 ft. in size.

Meeting adjourned by Ron at 12:42pm.

Submitted by: Tom Farnsworth

Next Meeting: Noon, Tuesday, July 24th, City Hall conference room