

**APRIL 9, 2018 TREE BOARD MEETING MINUTES  
CITY OF EDGERTON**

Sara Beckwith called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

Present: Adam Gould, Sara Beckwith, and Bill Sachse.

Excused: Barb Bublitz and Barb Steponkus

Others Present: City Administrator Ramona Flanigan, Public Works Director Tom Hartzell and David Mancheski.

Beckwith confirmed the meeting agendas were properly posted on Friday, April 9, 2018 at the Post Office, Edgerton Library and City Hall.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES:** A Gould/Beckwith motion to approve the March 12, 2018 Tree Board meeting minutes passed, all voted in favor.

**MISSION STATEMENT:** At the last meeting two mission statements were submitted for review. The mission statement chosen was: To work in concert with the Edgerton Public Works Department to advocate for conservation and maintenance of the city's existing public trees and shrubs. While also promoting programs and events that raise awareness, establish growth and manage city trees.

A Gould/Beckwith motion to approve the mission statement passed on a 3/0 roll call vote.

**ARBOR DAY CELEBRATION:** Adam Gould was asked to coordinate with the elementary school children for the Arbor Day celebration at the Vet's building. They would like have children plant trees at the vet's building. This will help fulfill the requirements for becoming a Tree City. The board decided on 10:00 am. Ramona will contact the reporter to make sure they are there. The Board would like to have someone make a small speech about the trees. Adam Gould volunteered. The Board discussed the type of trees to be planted. The Board would like Tom to order Yellow Bird Magnolia, Bald Cypress and a Green Mountain Sugar Maple.

**RACETRACK PARK PLANTING PROJECT:** The Rotary Club is contributing \$1,500 for trees to be planted along the entrance of Racetrack Park and possibly along the ball fields. They are also going to apply for a grant to match those funds. The Board will work with the DPW on a plan of how many trees and what materials will be needed to do that project.

**12 MONTH GOALS:** The Board discussed the gravel bed idea for bare root trees. They decided it would be something they want to pursue now. Tom Hartzell brought some cost for just the materials for the beds. He stated that for approximately \$600 we could put together a small bed. That cost does not include the price of trees.

A Beckwith/Gould motion to move forward with the gravel bed bare root planting this spring passed, all voted in favor.

The Racetrack park planting is on track. The Tree City USA application is in progress. We will meet our Arbor Day requirement after April 27<sup>th</sup>.

**NEXT MEETING DATE & AGENDA ITEMS:**

Next meeting April 23<sup>rd</sup> at 6:30 pm

Talk about Arbor Day Celebration

Gravel bed installation update.

Being no other business before the Board, a Beckwith/Gould motion to adjourn passed, all voted in favor.

Ramona Flangan/wjl

City Administrator