

**NOVEMBER 14, 2018 TREE BOARD MEETING MINUTES
CITY OF EDGERTON**

Beckwith called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m.

Present: Adam Gould, Sarah Beckwith, Barb Bublitz Bill Sachse and David Mancheski.

Excused: Barb Steponkus

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

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

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: A Gould/Bublitz motion to approve the October 17, 2018 Tree Board meeting minutes passed a 5/0 roll call vote.

GRANT PROGRAMS: The Alliant grant for \$2,500 was awarded. This grant will be used to demonstrate small trees under power lines in the linear aboretum. Bids for the trees funded by the Rotary were received and 9 of those trees are now planted. While getting bids for the Rotary trees, bids were also obtained for the Alliant grant trees to be planted.

RACETRACK PARK PLANTING PROJECT: The Board reviewed the design of the RTP planting project. Flanigan reported on the location and species of trees that have already been planted. The location of any memorial trees was discussed. Bill Sachse asked about treatment of the Japanese Beetles. Hartzell stated he would check into the options.

PUBLIC AWARENESS EFFORTS: The Board discussed ideas to bring awareness to the public on what the Tree Board is trying to accomplish. Flanigan suggested we spotlight some of the trees in the newsletter. The newsletter will also have articles about the RTP planting and information on the availability of memorial trees. The city Facebook and web page can be utilized to remind the public of the memorial trees. Sachse suggested a living holiday tree in Central Park that the citizens can decorate to correlate with the holiday lights. The Board discussed the price for the memorial trees. They have not come up with a cost at this time. Gould felt this would be a great gift for the holidays and the Board should discuss this topic at a later meeting. Flanigan stated she would go through the quotes that have been received and come up with a cost.

TREE ORDINANCE: The current tree ordinance does not address the issue of problematic trees on private property. The Board would like to draft an ordinance that addresses this issue.

NEXT MEETING DATE & AGENDA ITEMS:

Next meeting January 16, 2019 at 5:30 pm

- Grant programs
- Linear trees for schools
- Update tree ordinance
- Public Awareness options

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

Ramona Flangan/wjl
City Administrator