

January 2022 Meeting Minutes

1/24/2022

Call to order:

Bob Schneider called the meeting to order at 6:02 P.M. on Monday, January 24th, 2022.

Roll Call:

Bob Schneider
Dale Freund
Toni Baker
Joe Nesvara
Josh Embrey
Amy Lentz
Lynn Larsen

Approval of Minutes from November 2021 Meeting:

Motion for approval by Lynn Larsen, seconded by Dale Freund.

Public Comment:

No public comments.

Staff Report and Committee Updates:

- Forester Embrey advised February 8th Town Board meeting will be committee presentation.
- Forester Embrey advised they are working on 2022 contracts and finalizing holiday decorations removal.
- Bob inquired if the town was able to get the young trees watered and Forester Embrey advised they were able to get them watered before the snow fall.
- Amy advised about Arbor Day tree coloring contest with Colorado Tree Coalition and suggested we engage the elementary school. Forester Embrey advised that the town holds their own coloring contest.

Discussion of Roberts Lake Park Tree Nursery:

- Forester Embrey advised grant requests were put on hold due to continued work on nursery design.
- Forester Embrey showed images of the proposed site and size of the lot.
- Forester Embrey showed the committee the list of purchased trees.
- Toni asked how each quantity was chosen. Forester Embrey advised limited availability and purchased what was available.
- Committee discussed which method of planting will be used.
- Forester Embrey advised that the Parks department is trying for a possible grant to remodel the irrigation for the entire park and would include a tap for the nursery.
- Committee discussed options for fencing the nursery.

- Lynn inquired about soggy ground, referencing the problems in the current nursery that was brought to him by a town trustee.
- Committee discussed root bags and how they work. Amy suggested pot-in-pot system. Forester Embrey advised they had problems with drainage in Hillsdale nursery when they had tried it.
- Bob asked what the budget is for the tree nursery. Forester Embrey advised there was no separate budget and funds were taken from his department budget.
- Joe asked how they plan to amend the area for trees. Forester Embrey advised no amendment is recommended.
- Bob asked if Forester Embrey needed anything official from the committee for support. Forester Embrey advised no.
- Lynn requested an email with the chart of all the purchased trees.
- Forester Embrey advised the procedure for trees to arrive. He advised should be up and running by end of April.
- Committee discussed the possibility of planting Arbor Day tree in the new nursery.
- Committee discussed planting distances. Forester Embrey advised at Hillsdale they did a 6x6 grid and it was too small to mow. They are considering an 8x8 grid to allow for mower access in this new nursery.

Other Business:

- Committee discussed topics for next meeting. Toni suggested discussing how to notify residents of responsibilities in regards to trees in the tree lawns.
- Discussion of February meeting scheduling – committee decided on February 28th Due to holidays.
- Bob asked about Cemetery trees. Forester Embrey advised people thought they were cutting them down for no reason but advised they are currently planting trees by new trails near Waggoner and are planting as quickly as they can.

Adjourn:

Bob Schneider adjourned the meeting at 7:01 P.M. on the 24th day of January 2022. Next meeting is scheduled for Monday, February 28th, 2022.