Call To Order: Pat called the meeting to order at 6:01 PM.

Roll Call: Present were: Bob Schneider, Vice Chair; Grant Steffen, Secretary; Allen Owen; Anthony Frederick; Laura Davis; Paul Alaback; Town Board Liaison; Josh Embrey, Town Forester; Pat Karspeck, Chair Pro Tem, and Milan Karspeck.

Committee Officer Nominations: Bob Schneider was nominated and elected Chair. Laura Davis was nominated and elected Vice Chair. Grant Steffen was re-elected secretary.

Approval of Minutes of September 16, 2019: The TAC accepted two changes to the minutes. First, under “Entry Drive”, in the Waggener Landscape plan, the phrase “and a few Plains Cottonwoods” was deleted. Second, and just below, The title “Cottonwood Drive” was changed to “Cottonwood Grove”. With these changes, the minutes were approved.

Staff Reports: Josh reported that he had presented to the landscape architect for the Waggener Farm, the TAC’s recommendations cited in the minutes (see above) and that the architect accepted them.

Josh’s team has planted 123 trees this year, significantly more than in previous years. He reported on the Russian Olive Mitigation Program (designed to control the population of Russian Olives) and said that the companies involved in trimming, removing and chipping have differing approaches, leading to some controversy.

Discussion of EAB Detection in Larimer County: Josh reported on the first siting of the EAB in Larimer county. The A-I Natural ArborCare Company identified an infested Ash tree along CR 4 west of Berthoud, removed it, and transferred it to the Loveland Recycle Center. The Loveland forester sent samples from this tree to CSU where the
diagnosis of EAB infestation was confirmed. The tree was then chipped and buried.

Josh further reported that the EAB Program in Berthoud will continue with periodic injections of select green ash trees. This injection is 90% effective. He also described Boulder County’s use of “Biocontrol”, a program that introduces four different species of wasps into the environment, species that feed on the EAB. This program is effective only after the EAB is present, and remains a future option.

Pat expressed concern over the apparent lack of concern for potential EAB infestation of trees on school grounds, specifically Ivy Stockwell Elementary and Turner Middle Schools. She queried whether the Town Board could get permission from the principals involved to treat these trees, many of which have become traditional gathering places for students. The school district has apparently allocated no funds for EAB mitigation.

**Adjourn:** Bob adjourned the meeting at 6:55 PM. The next meeting will be on November 18.

**Approved:**