

Hudson Urban Forestry Meeting Minutes
City of Hudson, Council Chambers
Jan 13, 2016

Members Present: Ken Holman, John Hoggatt, Bill Bauman, John Mueller, Tom Zeuli, Tim Shafer

Members Absent: Liz Malanaphy, Starla Enger

Others: Buck Malick

Chairman Holman called meeting to order at 6:30

Minutes-Dec 2,2015 Motion by John Hoggatt, Second by Bauman to approve minutes of Dec 2, 2015, HUFB meeting, Motion carried

Presentation and discussion with Mike Krueger (City of Hudson IT manager)

- There was time dedicated to discuss the development and implementation of the Data base for inputting data from the ash tree inventory
- Input was given in regards to the components of the data base. Buck Malick and John Hoggatt will work with Mike Krueger to build the final components of the data base
- Some suggestion included:
 - a data base that can be continually updated
 - a utility conflict comment field
 - enable citizens to input data

Plan for EAB Fact Sheet

- Buck Malick shared plan for the EAB fact sheet that will be dispersed to the community via school, City of Hudson webpage, newspapers
- It was suggested that a member of the board present information at school teacher staff meetings to inform teachers so they can better promote the project with their students.
- Buck Malick will create a prototype flyer that will be used to educate the citizens regarding EAB

Tree of the Year update: Kentucky Coffee Tree

- Quotes from suppliers will be back on Jan 20th
- These quotes will help determine the cost to citizens interested in purchasing trees through the city
- Plan is to order 40 trees with the intent of at least 30 being sold to private citizens
- Communication regarding the tree of the year will include rotary clubs/ schools/ newspapers

Vine Street Reconstruction update

- It was suggested by the project engineer that HUFB draft a letter to the City council recommending that tree replacement should be a one-one ratio
- Also replacement should be based on diameter loss
- Some trees that have strong environmental value could be moved to other locations in the city.

Calendar of upcoming events

- March 16: EAB homeowner Session 6:30-8:30, Location TBD. Suggested locations: Phipps, High School Auditorium, Willow River School Auditorium
- April 29th: Arbor Day Ceremony, EP Rock Elementary. Time TBD. Teacher, Heidi Shimon, is the contact person at EP Rock for the event.

City of Hudson Tree Trek update:

- A meeting is being scheduled with team members and Dustin Ellis to plan the Tree Trek trail. The goal of the meeting will be to lay out the route and choose trees.
- There is a potential that students at the high school will help draft the text for the signs.

Future Discussion:

- Plan for Arbor Day celebration
- Use of storm water funds
- New areas of town for new EAB treatments

Next Meeting:Feb 10, 2016, Hudson City Council Chambers

John Hoggatt motioned to adjourn at 8:30 , Tim Shafer second, MOTION CARRIED

Submitted by John Mueller
HUFB Secretary