

**Hudson Urban Forestry Board Meeting Minutes**  
**Hudson City Council Chambers**  
**Jan 17, 2018**

**Members present:** Ken Holman, Tom Zeuli, Bill Bauman, John Mueller, John Hoggat , Starla Enger

**Members Absent:** Tim Hall, Liz Malanaphy

**Others present:** Buck Malick, Eric Shimon, Blade Flanders Johnson- City Forestry Intern

Call to order By Chairman Holman at 6:32 pm

Nov Minutes of Nov 15 move to approve Hoggat, Enger second. Motion carried.

1. Trees of the Year: Rotary will be getting 5 different trees in addition to the HUFB trees, St. Croix Elm and Japanese Tree Lilac. Rotary will be offering 5 different trees. This is international campaign for rotary. Goal is to keep two programs separate yet we will co-promote. Another goal is to create more tree stewards within community through tree planting training sessions. HUFB offered to have training for rotarians for tree planting.
2. Tree Trek Updates:
  - a. Presentation was made to Willow River, St. Pats, and Trinity Academy students to kick start the tree trek being planned for the historic district of Hudson.
  - b. Next steps: Contact teachers with assigned trees for each classroom
  - c. Meet with teachers to review the selected trees and map
  - d. Hudson Tree Trek won WI Council innovation award: Present award at council meeting and Arbor Day
  - e. Vine street: Ken will be placing more tags to bring the total tagged trees to 18.
3. Arbor Day: John M. will Contact Willow River Teacher, regarding Arbor day celebration taking place at Willow River School.
4. 2018 DNR Grant Components
  - a. Volunteer planting and maintenance: Starla, Tim, Buck, John H.
  - b. Ash injections/ removal: City Crew is looking for ash trees to remove. 5 year action plan is in process for ash tree removal.
  - c. Tree Trek expansion: John M., Ken H. Liz M. Write up a document identifying steps involved with creating a tree trek with students
  - d. Trade a tree neighborhood project: Target high ash neighbors to trade ash trees with other trees. Outreach to citizens is needed to inform them of the program.
  - e. Inventory Update: Add to inventory, ash trees that are being protected. Goal is 10% protection of public ash trees. Discussion about removal of private ash trees.

5. Update on fall 2017 Downtown Replacement plantings:
  - a. Flexi Pave Demo spring 2018. There is a process for remotely training personnel for installing.
  - b. Discussion about using engineered soil for future sidewalk projects.
6. 2018 Tree Purchases: Bid awarded. Suggestion was made to set up a pre delivery inspection of trees.
7. HUFb Chair will be open in May
8. Future business:
  - a. Protocol for condemning ash trees.
  - b. Outreach to educate citizen regarding EAB impact on ash trees and choices citizens have in dealing with it.
  - c. Increase outreach on residential ash management
  - d. St. Croix River Front master plan
  - e. Review of River Hounds Stadium landscape plans input from HUFb lay out some criteria such as diversity plan
  - f. Carmichael road corridor study input from HUFb
    - i. Soil specs
    - ii. Tree selection
9. Moved to adjourn by Hoggat, second by Bauman, motion carried
10. Next Meeting Feb 21, 2018 City Council Chambers 6:30 PM