

Minutes
City of Laurel
Tree Board
6/15/23

Council Conference Room

Attending: Matt Wheeler, Michelle Mize, Paul Kober, Phyllis Bromgard Phone: LuAnne Engh
Guest Speaker: Scott Meyers – Billings Arborist

1. Public Input
 - a.
2. General Items
 - a. April minutes approved – May meeting was the Arbor Day celebration
 - b. Scott Meyers – Shared and update on DNRC grants available to all cities up to \$15,000. He would help us apply for them. He also suggested we join the MUFA – Montana Urban Community Forestry Association. Most cities on listed and share ideas and projects that work for their communities. Individual membership is \$25 annually, \$100 for cities.
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3. Old Business
 - a. The LURA committee has started meeting again. There is also the downtown committee that wants to improve the downtown storefronts. We should look at the larger DNRC Urban Forestry grant to help improve trees.
 - b. The city is committed to the Splash Pad. \$150K is raised, ground is ready. Delay due to the early rains that caused the contractor to move on to another job.
4. Other Items
 - a. Volunteer hours – Keep your hours for all meetings, time spent on Arbor Day or any other project.

Next meeting Thursday, August 3, 4:30 Council Conference room