

Minutes
City of Laurel
Tree Board
3/17/22 9:30 AM

Council Conference Room

Attending: LuAnne Engh (phone), Paul Kober, Michelle Hammer Mize (newly elected committee member – Ward 2A), Aaron Christensen, Matt Wheeler, Lynne Peterson

1. Public Input
 - a. None
2. General Items
 - a. Feb minutes approved –
 - b. City balance \$528 + \$300 from DNRC grant School Balance \$483
 - c. Arbor Day – Grow with the Flow – Tuesday, May 3 – 145 – 6 classes + 30 (Baptist, School of Light, Homeschool) - 9 sections.
 - d. Grants – Dale wasn't available to update on the Walmart grant
 - e. Donations:

Paul has received a check for \$1,000 from the Lions and \$250 from Rotary. He has also submitted a request from CHS

LuAnne – contacted Western Security and Yellowstone

Walt – Is checking with Meadowgold about a donation of ice cream

Aaron – Has a letter to go to donors. He will contact Skip at Ace Hardware for mulch. Getting tree donations will be hard since the supply is so low. River Ridge has 15 gal Sienna Maples for \$200 and BnB Hackberry for \$450.

Other ideas are Woods Power Grip, City Employee Union (Matt will contact Justin Baker)
 - f. Trees – As of yet no trees have been purchased.
 - g. Presenters: LuAnne has contacted the following:

Yellowstone County - Megan Hoyer

FWP – Shannon Blackburn

Bright n Beautiful – Joanie Tooley

Audubon – Anthony Samaratano

DNRC – Jeff Hermans (contactors, not Jeff)

Yellowstone River – Bob Makin (searching for a presenter)

USDA- Gary Adams (Hannah Lewis)

Bees –Sheri Kisch

MNLA – Gena is looking for a sub for James Prchal

- h. Schedule/[program – Lynne will be our speaker. We'll ask the Mayor to join us. The Lions would like a ribbon cutting so they can share that with Lions International. We may possibly be able to use the dock as our stage.
- i. Busses: drop off at 12:00 return at 2:45
- j. LuAnne will contact Dynamic Design to go ahead with the art work and let them know our total of shirts. Hopefully they will still donate a banner for us.
- k. Walt will handle the publicity with the Laurel Outlook next week.
- l. Matt will take care of bathrooms, garbage, planting, stage and any safety precautions.
- m. Lunch: Dale hasn't been at the last few meetings so we are unsure of the lunch and SOW trailer. Hopefully he will update us soon.
- n. Water: Lynne will ask the PTA for a donation.
- o. LuAnne Contacted the Veterans and Fire department.

Old Business

- a. Downtown trees – We have 13 locations that should be replaced.
- b. Walt sent an email to the Mayor to ask his position on the downtown trees. No response yet.

3. Other Items

- a. Volunteer hours - Everyone turned in their volunteer hours last month. Thank you. This is used for the grants like the DNRC
- b. Next meeting – We'll meet early in the month to make sure we are organized before Arbor Day.

Next meeting Thursday, April 14th – 9:30

LuAnne Engh, Chairman