

# **Urban Forestry Commission**

Cravath Lakefront room 2nd floor 312 West Whitewater Str, Whitewater, WI, 53190 \*In Person and Virtual

Monday, March 25, 2024 - 4:30 PM

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# **AGENDA**

**CALL TO ORDER** 

**ROLL CALL** 

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES** 

1. Minutes for February 26, 2024

## **HEARING OF CITIZEN COMMENTS**

No formal Committee action will be taken during this meeting although issues raised may become a part of a future agenda. Participants are allotted a three minute speaking period. Specific items listed on the agenda may not be discussed at this time; however, citizens are invited to speak to those specific issues at the time the Committee discusses that particular item.

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#### STAFF REPORT

- 2. Staff Report from Andrew Beckman, Arborist
  - 1. Discussion regarding IRA Grant

#### **TREE CITY**

- 3. 1. Discussion regarding volunteers for receiving trees/plants
  - 2. Discussion regarding organizing and tagging trees/plants for sale
  - 3. Discussion regarding hours that tree/plant sale will be.
  - 4. Discussion regarding volunteers for days of sale.
  - 5. Discussion of where any left over trees/plants will go after sale

#### **FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS**

#### **ADJOURNMENT**

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# **Meeting Minutes**

#### **CALL TO ORDER**

Meeting called to order at 4:30 by Stanek

#### **ROLL CALL**

Present: Sherry Stanek, Patrick Taylor, Bill Chandler, Rose Mary Leaver, Brienne Brown

Absent: Ryan Tevis, Nick Alt

Staff: Andrew Beckman (phone), Kevin Boehm

#### **APPROVAL OF MINUTES FROM JANUARY 22, 2024**

Approval of Minutes for January 22, 2024. Motioned to approve by Taylor with the addition of the title meeting minutes to the aforementioned minutes. Second by Leaver. Motion passed by voice vote.

# **HEARING OF CITIZEN COMMENTS**

None given

#### TREASURER'S REPORT

None given

#### **OLD BUSINESS**

None

# **CONSIDERATIONS / DISCUSSIONS / REPORTS**

Motion by Stanek to move presentation and discussion from Jaime Wiegel regarding the Whitewater Effigy Mounds to the beginning of the meeting. Brown seconded. Motion passed by voice vote.

1. Jaimie Wiegel gave a presentation on the Whitewater Effigy Mounds.

#### TREE CITY

2. Community Tree Sale dates are April 26th, 27th and 28th.

We need to establish times for the sale each of those days.

 After discussion by the group, Stanek suggested 10am-2pm for the 26<sup>th</sup> and 27<sup>th</sup> and 12pm -2pm on the 28th



We need to discuss the organizing of volunteers for receiving trees/plants, organizing and tagging them for sale.

- Tabled
- 2. Update on Arboretum Grant
  - Boehm gave an update that everything has been submitted
- 3. Discussion regarding Arboretum signage.
  - Stanek stated there was a 5k donation. Boehm to follow up.
- 4. Discussion and update regarding tree tags.
  - Stanek led a discussion on tree tags, Beckman stated he didn't want anything to screw to any trees.
- 5. Discussion and possible approval of Territorial Tree Playground Ideas.
  - Discussion was had on some ideas for using the wood from the Territorial Tree. Group agrees to doing something but not sure what yet. Have discussion with Landmarks committee.

#### **BIRD CITY**

- 6. Discussion and update regarding the 2023 Bird City Application.
  - Stanek discussed the changes with the Bird City group

### **NEW BUSINESS**

- 7. Discussion on Spongy Moth and Pest Management Plan.
  - Beckman led a discussion on Spongy Moths being found on City owned trees and updated on other invasive insects and their proximity to Whitewater.
- 9. Discussion regarding how to recruit new members for the Urban Forestry Commission.
  - Tabled
- 10. Discussion regarding the 2024 Bird Fair.
  - Tabled

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#### **ADJOURNMENT**

Motion to adjourn by Leaver, seconded by Brown. Motion carried by voice vote. Meeting adjourned at 6:47

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