

WARRENSBURG TREE BOARD  
BOARD MINUTES  
March 28, 2019  
Corrected

The Warrensburg Tree Board met in regular session on March 28, 2019 at the Warrensburg Community Center, 445 E. Gay St. The meeting was called to order by Suzy Latare at 4:08 pm.

Members in attendance: Suzy Latare, Leslie Bayless, Jay Raveill and Ray Crisp.

Others in attendance: Jason McCarty

- **Agenda:** Leslie Bayless moved to approve the agenda with the additions of Trim Grant and Budget. Ray Crisp seconded. Approved 4-0.

- **Minutes:** Jay Raveill moved to approve the February 28, 2019 minutes. Leslie Bayless seconded. Approved 4-0.

- **Discussion Items**

- **Board Members Applications to Review**

- One position to fill and another by year end

Suzy Latare announced that the Mayor has appointed Bonnie Seymour to the Tree Board and hopes she will make it to our next meeting. There is one other interested party that she will follow up with. Leslie Bayless reminded us that she is going to miss a lot this summer and going off the board in the fall so perhaps she should resign and allow the other individual to come on now if available.

- **Education/Outreach efforts**

- **Spring Events**

- **Arbor Day**

Leslie Bayless advises that the Arbor Day Tree Party is scheduled for Tuesday, April 23<sup>rd</sup> at the Trails Regional Library with two sessions at 10:30 am and 11:15 am. We will have stories and songs about trees as well as snacks and saplings for each child. The Tree Care 101 brochure will be handed out, Smokey the Bear will be visiting and the Mayor will be there to read the Arbor Day Proclamation (we hope, waiting on new mayor). Suzy, Leslie and Ray will be there at 10:00 am.

- **Earth Day**

Suzy Latare reports that CEA's Earth Day Celebration is scheduled for Saturday, April 27<sup>th</sup>, 1:30 – 3:30. We will be handing out Tree Care 101 brochures and well as several others. Suzy is preparing a Mulching Game and Leslie is working on a Guessing Game. We will also have a free Raffle for two trees, leaving the species to Jay Raviell as to what is available. Jay Raviell will purchase the trees for the Raffle and the Mulching Game and transport them to the event. Jason McCarty will get us a Tree Cookie for display. Suzy and Jay will be there at 1:00 pm.

- **Articles/Stories for Daily Star Journal**

Ray Crisp is working on an article perhaps for Earth Day.

➤ **Downtown Trees/TRIM Grant**

Jason McCarty reports that the TRIM Grant does allow for pruning and that he has a quote from Arbor Masters. Hopefully most of the trees can be pruned and saved but will need to get with Chuck Conner about a list of possible replacement trees if necessary. The TRIM Grant is due the June 1<sup>st</sup> (correction June 7<sup>th</sup>) and the Tree Board's responsibility will be publicity.

➤ **Inventory Updates**

Tabled to next meeting

**Other Business**

➤ **Budget**

Jason McCarty advised that he made some possible changes to the budget based on last month's meeting. The TreeKeeper 8 program will be a line item plus generalizing a few other things to allow us some adjustments as needed. He will email a copy of the proposed budget prior to next meet for further discussion.

Leslie Bayless reported the cost of the name tags vs Tshirts for the members and moved we get a name tag for each member. Jay Raviell seconded. Motion passed 4-0.

➤ **LIED Foundation**

Ray Crisp brought this up as a possible grant. This will need looking into further.

- **Next Meeting Date:** April 25, 2019 at 4:00 pm

- **Adjourn:** Leslie Bayless moved to adjourn the meeting, Jay Raveill seconded. Approved 4-0. The meeting was adjourned at 5:08 pm.

Signature \_\_\_\_\_

Approved by Suzy Latare, Chair