

**City of Pierre**  
**Arbor Committee Minutes**  
**Tuesday, March 27<sup>th</sup>, 2018**

The March 2018 meeting of the City of Pierre Arbor Board was held at the City Hall commission meeting room. Ron Schreiner called the meeting to order at 12:00.00pm. Those in attendance were Board Members: Ron Schreiner, Chuck Humphrey, Mark Smith, Will Hanson, and Art Smith; Ex-Officio Members: Vona Johnson, Tom Farnsworth, Todd Kelly, Lindsey Ritter-Rapp, and Mike Isaacs; guest Deseree Corrales.

The minutes from last meeting were approved as presented with minor change that Tom Farnsworth took the minutes. The agenda for this meeting was approved as presented.

**Old Business:**

Landscape Ordinance - review draft amendment:

Group discussion was done on the past history of the ordinance and intent of the modification was run past the group and Lindsey. Main point of problems is renovation of parking lots does not have a permit process, new building projects due. Consequently only when construction equipment is first on-site is usually when city staff are aware a parking lot reconstruction is being undertaken. Slight modifications were suggested which Lindsey will incorporate into a draft for group review.

Tree planting guide brochure:

Tony summarized the committee's work, a division of labor agreements, and that the committee will have their next meeting on April 9<sup>th</sup>.

Community Orchard project:

Deseree informed the group that she will be meeting with the Pierre Young Professionals to erect the fence. M & R Signs will be installing signs soon. Deseree is developing an electronic sign up program for volunteers to stake out times and jobs. May 5<sup>th</sup> is the scheduled planting day. 811 Locates call has been made, Todd thinks the area should be dried enough shortly so existing city trees can be moved.

2018 Plan of Work:

Tom summarized the 2018 Plan of Work. Ron will work on date options of 4/14 or 4/21 for Arboretum work. The 2018 Plan of Work was approved as presented.

Spring educational seminar May 3rd:

Roth Beck at SDSU Extension has the Dr. Ball tree seminar set for May 3<sup>rd</sup> at the extension office.

**New Business:**

Airport windbreak planting recommendation:

Mike Isaacs presented the airport windbreak project to the Board. The project consists of a 2-row planting to stop snow from coming into sensitive areas of the airport building. Todd informed the Board that the time schedule for planting indicates the project needs to be done quickly. Rachel had collected and sent to Mike previously a group of suggested plants to be used for the windbreaks. Hughes County Conservation District, if hired, will charge \$1/foot and will do all of the weed barrier and planting.

Discussion:

Will told the group the Isaac Walton Leagues annual tree give-away to area 2<sup>nd</sup> graders will be held again this year. Tree species have not been decided yet. Will & Rachel will present the trees and short programs at the schools.

Meeting adjourned by Ron at 12:55pm.

Submitted by: Art Smith, Secretary

***Next Meeting: Noon, Tuesday, May 1<sup>st</sup> (note date - this will be April's meeting), City Hall conference room***