



Hudson Urban Forestry Board Meeting - ZOOM
Meet at 505 3rd St., Hudson WI, 54016
Wednesday, November 18, 2020 – 6:00 p.m.

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AGENDA

1. Call to order
2. Discussion and possible action on the HUFB September 16, 2020 Minutes
3. New Business:
 - a.) Discussion on 2021 Arbor Day Event
 - b.) 2021 Tree of the Year selections
4. Old Business:
 - a.) Tree Trek GIS Mapping Update
5. Items for future agendas:

6. Adjourn

Jeff Heywood, Chairman

Posted 11-13-2020

Notice is hereby given that a majority of the City Council may be present at this meeting to gather information about a subject over which they have decision-making responsibility. This constitutes a meeting of the City Council pursuant to State ex rel. Badke v. Greendale Village BD, 173 Wis. 2d 553, 494 N.W. 2d 408 (1993) and must be noticed as such, although the Council will not take any formal action at this meeting.

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Wednesday, September 16, 2020 – 6:30 p.m.

Members present: Liz Malanaphy, John Mueller, Jeff Heywood, Sarah Atkins Hoggatt, Jen Haase, Ken Holman

Members absent: Starla Enger

Others present: Michael Mroz; Director of Public Works

1. Call to order 6:37 pm

2. Approve the HUFB August 19, 2020 Minutes: Motion to approve by Jen Haase; Second by Ken Holman. Motion approved.

3. New business:

a. Field observations

- i. EAB symptoms – Seeing signs and symptoms of EAB throughout the city of Hudson. EAB spread is in the early stages but in the next 5-7 years, expectation is that tree mortality will increase. Symptoms include thinning crown and sprouting from the stem, and once dead can be brittle and unstable. It is possible that once an ash tree is deemed 30-40% dead, some tree services will not assist in the removal due to restrictions around proper disposal. City of Hudson is currently receiving one to two calls a month concerning ash trees.
- ii. Lilac die back – Starting to see some bacteria on lilac's in the city. Good course of action is sanitation and pruning in the spring to improve circulation
- iii. Bur oak blight – Slow spreading disease that impacts bur oak trees. Has been noticed on a few trees recently within the city.
- iv. Public works – Recently walked all sidewalks and will start replacing all high hazard sidewalks. Some of the sidewalk damage stems from tree roots, and some homeowners are requesting that trees be removed when sidewalks are fixed.

4. Old business:

- a. Emerald Ash Borer Public Education; Ash Tagging – Four rolls of ash tag are in and ready to be deployed. Deployment (with a focus on tagging in the spring) will be a discussion at a future meeting.
- b. Fall Planting Status
 - i. West Garage Well Failure – Well pump quit and in trying to remove/fix the pipe broke. Due to this the gravel bed trees have not been on irrigation for 3 weeks, but staff has been watering a couple times a day. Mike's recommendation is to move up some of the planting timeline due to the loss of water, and Mike and Ken will

work on a plan for where to plant the trees that are in the gravel bed.

- c. Tree Trek Update
 - i. GPS Data Gathering - GIS interactive maps will be created for each of the tree treks that will be posted to the website. Each board member will be assigned to a trek in which QR codes need to be scanned to confirm they still work and check on the health/status of each tree.
 - ii. Arbor day rollout – too soon to plan due to COVID but will be a future agenda item.
 - iii. WI DNR 2020 best website review – Each board member to review the websites that were circulated and send top three to each other by September 25th. Will review and discuss at October meeting, and start framing out any website changes that should be made.

5. Items for future agendas:

- a. Website review / consensus
- b. Ash tagging
- c. Arbor day

6. Adjourn: Moved to adjourn at 7:07. Motion to adjourn by Ken Holman ; Second by Liz Malanaphy.

Next meeting: October 14. Location TBD.

Submitted by
Jen Haase
HUFBS Secretary