

**Hudson Urban Forestry Board Meeting Minutes**  
**Hudson City Council Chambers**  
**Jan 22, 2020**

**Members present:** Ken Holman, Mike Mroz, John Mueller, Tim Hall, Starla Enger, Sarah Atkins Hoggatt

**Members Absent:** Liz Malanaphy, Jeff Heywood

**Others present:** Buck Malick, Peter Miller

Peter Miller was introduced to the board. He is a volunteer in the EP Rock neighborhood that will be helping with the Tree Trek project.

1. Call to order By Chairman Hall at 6:34 pm
2. Discussion on minutes of HUFB October 23, 2019. Motion to approve minutes by Holman, Seconded by Mueller. Motion passed
3. Review of DNR Grant
  - a. The Urban Forestry Ordinance in the process of revisions. There will be a presentation at the Feb 3 City council meeting.
4. Tree Trek Update:
  - a. Planning for the EP Rock installation is ongoing, with signs being installed this spring.
  - b. Historic district Tree Trek still has 3-4 signs to install
  - c. More tags are being installed on the Vine street trek
  - d. Future goal for the Tree Trek project is to create curriculum for schools that will incorporate the Tree Trek projects.
5. EAB Awareness/ outreach ideas
  - a. Tape or mark ash trees on selected streets to build awareness about the density of ash trees. Holman has developed tags that include a photo of EAB that could be used to mark trees.
  - b. Reach out to Hudson Chamber of Commerce and HIBA to generate interest and communicate information
  - c. Include information in water bills
  - d. Use social media
  - e. River Channel segments to communicate information regarding various work of HUFB including EAB issues. Tim Hall will contact to set up a time with April 1<sup>st</sup> as a goal to have first segment.
  - f. Learning session at the library
  - g. EAB costume that could be used to promote interest and educate. Starla Enger investigate
  - h. Participate in the Booster Days Parade using EAB costume
  - i. Connect into Community EAB network to gather other ideas
  - j. T-shirts for Board members with HUFB logo. Ken Holman will share information with Mike Mroz to look into getting some t-shirts printed.

6. 2020 HUFB Goals:
  - a. Look into wood utilization options:
    - i. Wood tech programs; WITC, high schools
    - ii. Contact individual that has expertise to attend a future board meeting
  - b. Continue to support Arbor day events, gravel bed project
  - c. Investigate feasibility of Brush/ leaves compost site within the city of Hudson.
  - d. Plan a joint meeting of Tropical Wings and HUFB to discuss ways collaborate on projects
  - e. Investigate planning a neighborhood leaf cleanup project to build awareness about the problem of leaves in storm sewers and to reduce the impact of leaf runoff into the river.
7. 2020 Tree Purchase List
  - a. Tree of the Year: 8 each of White Pine and Blue Beech have been ordered.
  - b. Gravel bed will have 42 trees.
  - c. Approximately \$5000.00 has been allocated for tree purchases
8. Arbor Day Event 2020
  - a. The school Arbor Day program will take place on April 24. Mueller will contact EP Rock to confirm that they will host the event.
  - b. Community Event will take place on April 25. A final draft of the Flyer will be ready for Feb meeting. The Arbor day event will take place in the morning followed by Earth day event in the afternoon. HUFB will have a presence at the Earth Day Event