

FOREST BOARD MINUTES  
MARCH 14, 2018

PRESENT: Chairperson Leah Netherland, Mayor Dorn Crawford, City Forester Ryan Lewis, Nancy Shelton, Marie Eff, Dale Kinney, Mick Vissing, Michael Blum.

The meeting convened at 6:30 pm.

MINUTES:

Mick made a motion to accept the minutes without correction. Dale seconded the motion. All approved.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

Leah reported that approximately 172 right of way trees were pruned and the job is complete for this year.

Leah reported that the paperwork for the Louisville Water Company to install the water meter in Henderson (Wren) Park has been completed and she will be delivering it and the check very soon.

Leah reported that she has scheduled a walk through of the parks with Lee from Limbwalker so that trimming work can be prioritized within our \$5,000 budget.

Nancy reported that she obtained bids from both Sang and T's Trees for removal of the Maple in Crossbill Park and Sang came in with the lowest bid at \$800 to take down the tree and grind the stump. Leah will contact Sang to proceed with the work.

FORESTER REPORT:

Ryan reported that letters about the pruning project for large right of way trees went out about 1 ½ weeks ago. So far, he has had one response. He plans to go door to door to try to talk with the homeowners who received a letter. The letter was not corrected so it went out with the amount of cost to the homeowner at \$75 versus the \$100 we discussed at the last meeting. The projected time to complete the work is in May.

BUDGET:

Leah reported that \$23,070 remained in the budget as of 1/31/2018 with projected expenses of \$13,450. Additional expenses include \$1750 for the Ash removal program, \$5000 for park pruning, \$4,000 for the water line, \$2,500 for the gardener, \$800 for Maple removal and possibly \$1,000 more to the City Forester.

NEW BUSINESS:

It was decided that someone needs to be an archivist for the Forest Board. Michael agreed to take this on.

There was further discussion of the proposed budget with Leah suggesting that a new smaller pruning program be added and that we purchase 50 tree identification signs at \$8 each from Bernheim.

WORK DAY:

The next workday will be held March 18 in Crossbill Park at 1pm and then moving to Curlew Park.



OPEN COMMENT PERIOD:

Nancy questioned when the tree trimming debris would be picked up in the various parks. Leah stated that Jason was aware and would complete this as dumpster space allows. There was discussion about whether there is a more efficient way to dispose of the debris.

Marie reminded everyone of the Cave Hill tour on May23 at 6:30 pm. Up to 18 people could attend. The cost is \$35.

The meeting adjourned at 7:27 pm.

The next meeting will be held Wednesday, April 11, 2018 at 6:30 pm at City Hall.

SIGNATURE OF  
CHAIRPERSON

*Leah Mitchell*

DATE

*4/11/18*

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