

Pendleton Urban Forestry Committee

Meeting Minutes

Pendleton Town Hall
March 26, 2019

1. Call to Order

- Meeting called to order by Vice President Christi Kelly

2. Roll Call and Determination of Quorum

- Linda Castor
- Kate Edwards
- Jeanette Isbell
- Christi Kelly
- Heidi McClintick
- Taylor Metz

Planning Staff member Rachel Christenson was in attendance.

3. Approval of Minutes of Previous Meeting

- February meeting minutes tabled, as they were not available.

4. Old Business Discussed

- 2019 Tree City USA Application - Goals for 2019
 - o Christenson provided a packet of potential goals for the committee members to select from to satisfy the point requirement for the 2019 Tree City USA Growth Award.
 - o A6 Publicity will be satisfied with a monthly blurb in the new Town Newsletter.
 - o Christenson also suggested the public workshop idea.
 - o Friends of the Park was also another option to satisfy B1.
 - o Edwards suggested D4 Street Tree Planting and we have already satisfied it.
 - o Committee agreed on A6 and D4
- 2019 Pendleton Arbor Day - April 26 2019
 - o Christi Kelly shared pictures of pencil color schemes, having worked with Signage. Christenson said she would double check on available funds. \$420 for 1000 pencils that say 'My Roots are in Pendleton'.
 - o Christenson advised that Jessica Smith is aware that we will be doing an Arbor Day Proclamation. She will be there if at all possible.
 - o Once Christenson gets a time from the Principle, she will get the tree ordered. Isbell suggested a Red Bud because they grow fast and healthy.

5. New Business Discussed - None

- Isbell asked for the floor to talk about Friends of Falls Park
 - o They are trying to think of how to get other groups involved.
 - o They will start having designated project days to start making the group more visible.

- April 22nd we are going to help spread mulch etc.
- Her thought is it would be a good idea for the PUF Committee to set up a tent during the project(s) and have information available and maybe even the little cup trees since kids love them. She would also like to see PUF sell some t-shirts, with the saying My Roots are in Pendleton. Try to help establish the tree fund.
- Christenson shared an idea for a park project PUF could get involved in would be an inventory of the memorial trees at Falls Park. It's in the park and its tree related. We could add the notations into our existing tree inventory.
 - Do an inventory of existing plaques.
 - Suggested that we also put something in the newspaper or on face book that if you have had a memorial tree where the plaque is gone, let us know.
 - Maybe don't do plaques moving forward, but perhaps investing \$300 for a memorial leaf on a tree mural.
- McClintick shared that she received a concern that there aren't shade areas around the park pond.
 - Christenson reported that we are doing a Park Plan Update this year and that topic could be something that can be included, perhaps after the hardscape plans are completed first.
 - The Park is partnering with the Plan Department
 - The plans so far make a lot of sense and are very needed and will be very good for the park.

7. Next Meeting - April 23, 2018 (4:30pm)

- Christenson will send everyone an email about the plans for Friday the 26th. We won't necessarily need to meet on the 23rd, but let's wait to see if anything comes up.

8. Adjournment

- The meeting was adjourned at 5:20pm.