



Bel Aire Tree Board

MINUTES
CITY HALL – COMMUNITY ROOM
MONDAY, February 25, 2019
7:00 P.M.

I. Call to Order: Chairperson Gary Northwall called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

II. Roll Call:

- **Members Present:** Mark Garriott, Sylvia McCombs, Gary Northwall, and Hilde Yops, Nancy Loosle
- **Members Absent:** none
- **Guests Present:** none

III. Approval of Minutes from Previous Meeting:

MOTION: Nancy Loosle motioned to approve the minutes of the November, 26, 2018 Tree Board meeting. Seconded by Hilde Yops. **Motion carried 5-0.**

IV. Board Member Reports:

- Mark Garriott – Observation that ICTrees, who donated 34 trees to Bel Aire in 2018, has ceased operations and will not be taken over by someone else to run it. Mark has visualized the Lion’s Club tree and recently planted gift tree from the Lions Club, noting they both look OK to date and the plaques look nice.
- Sylvia McCombs – Refreshed Bel Aire city building lobby area has resulted in the Tree Board resources being moved to a different rack; no longer at eye level, but may ask city if it can be raised up. Followed up about the potential of Tree Board shirts for the Board; Gary will touch base with the city office about possible options, currently existing shirts “Tree Board” might be able to be added to, etc.
- Gary Northwall – Reviewed ending or recently ended terms on the Board for Hilde and Sylvia; both offered to serve another term, which Gary will present to the City for approval of appointments on March 5. Also discussed brief Board member bios to possibly share at the Arbor Day event this year.
- Hilde Yops – None.
- Nancy Loosle – Talked to WSU who is open to having a plaque to identify the survivor tree donated by Bel Aire located near the plane crash monument on campus. Gary to write up a little history on the tree and look into the plaque.

V. Old Business:

A. Poster Contest

- a. Sylvia provided an update that a student from a school in Lindsborg won the KS Forrest Service poster contest. The Bel Aire Breeze ran the story and pictures about the poster contest and participation at Sunrise in the March edition. Presentation of the local Bel Aire winners went well, and she presented the winner to the KS Forrest Service representative.

VI. New Business:

A. Arbor Day 2019 Plans

- a. May look to honor the recently defunct ICTrees for their donation in late 2018. Idea to purchase two plaques and place them as opposed to planning an addition tree as in years past.
- b. Event at Bel Aire city building planned as usual. Details to discuss at the March meeting.

B. Tree City USA meeting in Salina on March 28, 2019.

- a. Gary and Sylvia may attend, Hilde may depending on how her surgery and recovery goes.

VII. Adjournment:

MOTION: Nancy Loosle motioned to adjourn. Seconded by Hilde Yops. **Motion carried 5-0.**

Meeting Adjourned: 8:20pm

Next Meeting: March 25, 7pm

Tree Board Hours since October 2018 Meeting:

Board Member	Date	Activity	Hours
Mark Garriott	1/9/19	Sunrise Presentation	1.0
	2/25/19	Board Meeting	1.25
Sylvia McCombs	1/9/19	Sunrise Presentation	1.0
	2/25/19	Board Meeting	1.25
Gary Northwall	1/9/19	Sunrise Presentation	1.0
	2/14/19	Meeting Prep	1.0
	2/20/19	Meeting Prep	1.0
	2/25/19	Board Meeting	1.25
Hilde Yops	2/25/19	Board Meeting	1.25
Nancy Loosle	1/9/19	Sunrise Presentation	1.0
	2/25/19	Board Meeting	1.25

Total Hours:

12.25

Respectfully Submitted By: Mark Garriott, Secretary