

Forestry Advisory Committee Meeting Minutes

Date of Meeting: 15 Jan 2024 6:30 pm

Present: John Goodfellow, Peter Foster, Wendy Ward, Kitsi Vadheim, Steve Larson

Official members: Kitsi Vadheim, Peter Foster, Joe Schmitt

Agenda: Develop 2024 Action Plan

2024 Action Plan:

1. Maintain Tree City USA status (7th year)
 - a. Arbor Day activity and mayor's proclamation
 - b. Look into developing an Arbor Day/Month activities with the school and possibly local businesses
2. Inventory trees in Oakland Cemetery
 - a. Use i-tree tool to establish species, abundance and location
3. Operate two gravel beds with tamarack trees
 - a. Plant in spring, water over summer and out-plant some in autumn
4. Develop recommendation for memorial tree planting program in Marine
 - a. For trees planted on public property as memorials to individuals
5. EAB loss mitigation
 - a. Continue public education efforts
 - b. Ash mortality will be much more obvious in 2024 in Marine
6. Create lists of preferred trees for planting in Marine
 - a. Guidance for planting in public spaces
 - b. Available for use by all citizens
7. Continue buckthorn control efforts in Marine's public forests –
 - a. between Stone House Museum and Highway 95
 - b. in Burris Park
 - c. school forest (north of school field)
8. Update 2016 urban forest inventory – project on hold

Next meeting in March 2024

Meeting adjourned 7:30 pm