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This meeting of the Tree Board was held Wednesday, October 18, 2023, at 5:35 p.m. at the Grimes Community Complex.

GENERAL AGENDA ITEMS

1. Call to Order

Roll Call: Present: Mark Dungan, Lee Goldsmith, also attending: Dave Guthrie, Utilities and R.O.W. Superintendent Absent: April Moore, Sally Worley, Russ Lickteig

April Moore arrives at 5:43 p.m.

2. Approval of the Agenda

Motion by Moore, Second by Dungan, to approve the agenda.

Roll Call: Ayes: All Nays: None, Motion passes 3-0

PUBLIC AGENDA ITEMS

1. Ash Tree Mitigation

Mathew Haaland of Heartland Timber was present to discuss possible uses, or hauling options, of felled Ash trees. Haaland offered to help dispose of the primary trunks but would not be able to use the smaller limbs or branches. General discussion on possible funding opportunities to reduce the cost for homeowners removing dead or dying Ash trees continued. Guthrie noted that the city has a program in place to pick up logs and limbs for residents at a rate of \$60 per load. Additional discussion regarding an informal inventory of privately owned Ash trees could be attempted by the Tree Board members once the trees are producing leaves in the spring.

2. Arbor Day Discussion

Several locations for the 2024 Arbor Day event were explored. Areas of interest would include the new Library location, the Glenstone Disk Golf area, or the land around the old library and Splash Pad. Guthrie indicated that MidAmerican Energy had a list of preferred tree species available if the Glenstone Disk Golf location was used.

ADJOURNMENT

Meeting adjourned at 6:10 p.m.

The next regular meeting : November 15, 2023