

2019 0508 Forestry and Beautification Minutes

Attendees: Georgette Cole, Chair, Audrey Maskery, Deborah Mehlferber, and Cynthia Werts.
Joan Mahaffey (Woods Liaison).

The agenda was approved by consensus after adding consideration of plant replacement next to 404 5th Avenue.

The minutes from April 10 were reviewed. No changes were suggested. Approved by consensus.

We reviewed the map with the seven (7) Ace tree sites for spring planting:

Joe Stolz and the Hodges are agreeable to the pin oak we have located from Ace trees. This will be installed between the two houses to replace the oak lost in front of Joe Stolz house at 215 Grove Ave.

Black Gums will be installed in front of #1 Circle and in Morgan Park across from 319 Brown Street (where a large oak was lost recently).

Another Pin Oak will be planted in front of 127 Grove Ave (corner Oak St and Grove Ave.)

A Red Maple will be installed in Woodward Park between the basketball court and the swing set.

A large Kousa Dogwood (bush-form) will be installed in Woodward Park, replacing the bush honeysuckle cluster across from 113 Grove Ave.

A Willow Oak will be planted (but not until fall) on the Circle beside 402 5th Avenue.

We discussed Meredith Beckhardt's request to have a tree or bush planted on Acorn Lane between her house at 404 5th Ave and Jill Bloom at 406. She recently paid to have a bush honeysuckle removed from this bit of Town land. The bush honeysuckle screened the area between their houses which is they would prefer continue to be screened. Audrey and Georgette and Deb have looked at the location in question. Unfortunately it is very poor soil and very little space. Town Maintenance also says anything along 5th avenue makes it very hard to plow when there is snow to clear. The committee consensus was that it would be better to suggest the homeowners plant a vine on their own land and train it to screen the area. We have photos of native honeysuckle (*Lonicera sempervirens*) we will send with our suggestion. Trumpetvine would also work but is not native and is harder to control.

We discussed Arbor Day. The Woods Committee is organizing a work day on June 8 from 10-12. We will try to organize a cleanup in Chapel Park on that morning.

Adjourn 8:30 pm. Our next meeting will be Wednesday, September 11.

Submitted by Georgette Cole