

**City of Madison**  
**Beautification and Tree Board**  
**Tuesday, March 17, 2015**  
**Council Chambers, City Hall**  
**5:30 p.m.**



**Attendees:**

Karen Lawler, Hollye Raines, Linda Kinney, Lynda Johnston, Gerald Clark, Julie Ray, Meredith Kilby, Marsha Harris, Karen Forsyth, Darry Towry, and Alice Tucker

**Absent:**

Beth Agee

**Minutes**

**Proceedings:**

The meeting was called to order at 5:30 pm by Karen Lawler.

The minutes from meetings held in November 2014, January 2015, and February 2015 were approved as written.

Karen Lawler went through portions of the 2015 Roles and Responsibilities for the Board. Discussions will continue again next month.

***Treasurer's Report***

The current balance is \$19,135.11. Julie Ray presented Draft Budget for the upcoming year, noting adjustments as things progress.

**Tree Planting**

Lynda Johnston reported the Arbor Tree Planting will take place March 27, 12-2 p.m. at Fire Station #2 on Hughes Road. It has been delayed due to weather and the Mayor's schedule. Lynda has worked with Cory Brown of Catbird Seat to acquire a native species tree – the Smoke Tree is being purchased and planted.

Meredith Kilby will work the media part of the event.

Public Works will dig the hole for the tree. Gerald Clark will confirm.

## **Beautification Board**

Karen Lawler is working to keep the Calendar of Events up-to-date. Please continue to keep her posted when events come up.

Alice Tucker is making a few changes to the form created by Meredith. She plans to remove the Knock-Out Rose Award. She is also working on the Honor Roll Award. The application fee this year will be \$25. Emails will be sent next week.

The Board approved the placement of up to two benches for the old section of the cemetery, pending their approval. The Board also approved the placement of two benches on Rainbow Mountain. This will be coordinated with the Land Trust.

Gerald Clark wants to go by the old plan to fill in the gaps and holes for the new plants. Alice Tucker will retrieve the color plan from Sean Hardy.

Meredith reported she has received numerous positive comments and feedback from the Arbor Day Workshop. Everyone liked the pizza. There was discussion of finding a new location for next year's event. The old location was too noisy. One suggestion was the Council Chamber.

## **Pride of Madison**

Beth Agee submitted a detailed spreadsheet via email of the 2014 Pride of Madison organizations. We will discuss further next month.

Prepared by Karen Forsyth