

Shade Tree Committee
7-14-22

Present: Lindsay Overmyer, Nate Bennett, Cory Meyer, Tammy Meyer, Mark Olson, Terry Wallace, Deb Follman.

Terry called the meeting to order. Tammy made a motion to approve the minutes of the last meeting. Motion 2nd by Mark. Carried.

Cory reported that Angry Beaver will be starting at the end of the week for Shade Tree contract work to trim and cut trees. Priorities will be: 1) tree removal, 2) trim alleys, 3) trim streets.

Cory asked if Scott Knoke should continue to spray the spruce trees for needlecast along College Dr N and it was the consensus that he should do that.

Lindsay said there is evidence of stress on trees because of the drought.

Cory said he will let the committee know when the City Commission will be discussing the budget for Shade Tree.

Gerri Makay, NDSU forestry, said there may be grant monies available in the Fall for spring tree planting. In-kind tree planting could be counted as matching funds for a grant. It would need to be decided if we want more trees along College Dr N, along 10th St NE, or along the bikepaths. We need to keep in mind the purpose of tree planting is for windbreaks and shade.

Twenty tree vouchers have been distributed and there are twenty left. The vouchers have a \$125 value.

Next meeting will be the 1st Thursday in August at noon.

Mark asked about getting rid of the dead tree in the public parking lot at the VFW and was told it is on the list for removal.

Meeting adjourned,

Helen Carlson
Recording Secretary