

**City of Pierre**  
**Arbor Committee Minutes**  
**Tuesday, January 24<sup>th</sup>, 2017**

The January 2017 meeting of the City of Pierre Arbor Board was held at the City Hall conference room. Ron Schreiner called the meeting to order at 12:02pm. Those in attendance were Board Members: Ron Schreiner, Chuck Humphrey, Tony Dorschner, Will Hansen, Mark Smith, and Art Smith; Ex-Officio Members: Sharon Pruess, Leon Schochenmeier, John Childs, Jeff Runion, Tom Farnsworth, Todd Kelly, and Rachel Ormseth.

**New Business:**

Prior to the initiation of the agenda, city administrators and managers brought concerns to the board regarding the recently adopted green space ordinance which requires the planting of trees and other greenspace for new and remodel construction. The board was asked for their opinion on if a mitigation process could be used for properties where existing space didn't allow for the traditional response as required in the ordinance. No final decisions were expected for made by anyone. The city representatives took the input for additional internal discussion amongst themselves.

The minutes from last meeting were approved as presented.

The agenda for this meeting was approved as presented.

**Old Business:**

Tree Planting Guide Brochure, update:

The committee will work on a plan and report to the board regarding their outline, proposed species, and other sections they propose to include in the updated brochure.

**New Business:**

Donation Inquiry:

A gardening group in Pierre approached Ron regarding a bench donation. Although the Arboretum may be "benched-out" at this time, options of a bench, flag pole, or moving the Arboretum sign were discussed. General consensus was best use would be to replant after moving the sign closer to the road.

EAB state plan:

Not much has changed within the plan for the last couple of years. Rachel reported that the reaction plan sheet is ready for implementation once EAB arrives.

Discussion:

The 2017 Work Plan will be reviewed at the February meeting.

The remains of the 2016/17 winter bird feeding schedule was briefly discussed to make sure someone was responsible for keeping the feeders filled for the rest of the season.

Meeting adjourned by Ron at 1:01pmpm.

Submitted by: Art Smith, Secretary

***Next Meeting: Noon, Tuesday, February 28<sup>th</sup>, City Hall conference room***