

Decorah Tree Board

April 29, 2019

The meeting was called to order by Acting Chairman Mark Faldet at 6:37pm in the City Hall Conference Room.

Present: Mark Faldet, Dick Guilgot, Tina Hall, Peter van der Linden, and former Tree Board member Jeremy Brill. Drew Pellett arrived later in the meeting.

MOTION by Guilgot, second by Hall: to approve the minutes of the April 10 meeting as circulated. Motion carried.

Brill reviewed plans for the tree planting that will take place along Mechanic and Short Streets on Saturday, May 4, beginning at 10:00am. Property owners were sent letters informing them of the project and Pellett was able to personally contact most of them. Underground utilities have been marked along the route. Accounting for property owners who have opted out, there are 49 potential planting sites. Street Department personnel will drop off the trees on Friday, May 3. On Saturday, Luther College football players will help plant the trees, along with Rotarians working in two shifts. City personnel will drive a truck loaded with mulch that participants will place around the trees.

Tree Board members will assemble at City Hall at 9:00am on May 4 to prepare for the planting.

The meeting adjourned at 7:22pm. Those present then flagged planting locations along Mechanic and Short Streets. (Note: Because of conflicts with utilities and restricted planting space, fewer than 49 planting sites were flagged.)

Peter van der Linden, Secretary