

# COMMUNITY FORESTRY ADVISORY BOARD

August 13, 2019

Members Present: Mary Sweeney/ Acting Chair, Kendall Weyers, Scott Hofeling, Lachel Bradley Williams  
Members Absent: Eric North, Emil Casper, Jessica Gieseke  
Staff Present: Lynn Johnson, Lorri Grueber, Adam Klingenberg, Chris Myers,  
Staff Absent: Kaylyn Neverve, Janet Ball

**Call to Order:** Acting Chair, Mary Sweeney called the meeting to order at 4:10 pm. The Open Meeting Act was recognized. A motion was made by Scott Hofeling to approve minutes as submitted, second by Mary Sweeney. Roll call vote: Unanimous approval.

**Guests present:** No guests were in attendance.

**Public comments:** There being no guests, there were no public comments.

## **New Business: *Nominating Committee***

After a brief discussion, Acting Chair Mary Sweeney appointed Eric North, Emily Casper and Jessica Gieseke to the Nominating Committee (with great positivity). The role of the Nominating Committee is to secure parties interested in serving as Chairperson and Co/Vice Chairperson for the upcoming year. The names will be provided to the CFAB at the October meeting and voted upon at the November meeting.

## **Old Business: *Handbook for Tree Board Members***

Engaging discussion by Board Members, primarily revolving around concern/interest in having more clearly defined roles resulted in Lynn Johnson offering to provide a Facilitator for Strategic Planning meetings for the CFAB. First SP discussion will be in conjunction with the October 2019 regular CFAB meeting. The meeting will be scheduled for 2 ½ hours, sandwiches will be provided.

**Photo:** Should not have been on this agenda. CFAB group photo will be taken at the September meeting.

## **Public Outreach:**

Arbor Day 2020- confirmed Friday, April 24, 2020 at the Jane Snyder, 4:00-7:00pm. Alcohol would be allowed if provided through, (not necessarily by) The Hub Cafe'.

Fall Tree Distribution Event- Arbor Day Foundation (ADF) has secured funding from FedEx to partner with a community-based event to provide 1-3-gallon containerized trees for planting on private property in an effort to reforest urban areas due to canopy loss from EAB.

ADF would produce banners and educational materials and assist with procuring the trees. An educational component would need to be incorporated, either through presentations or printed materials. The CFAB would be encouraged to provide hands-on assistance at the event, invite local VIP's, photo waivers, get feedback comments for publishing.

City would contact South of Downtown for partnership ops. Downtown Lincoln Association has agreed to donate 100-200 trees to the event. Tentative late October/early November event date. Lorri will contact SOD and DLA.

**Adjourn:** Motion to adjourn by Kendall Weyers, second by Mary Sweeney. Meeting adjourned at 5:08 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Lorri B Grueber, Community Operations Forester

Next meeting September 10, 2019