

**Friends of the Urban Forest Board**  
Minutes for January 19, 2016 Meeting

Attendance

Board Members

Anton Brennick  
Sharon Chebul  
Phil Cammack  
Kriss Douglass  
Charlie O'Leary  
Mark Syverson

Staff

Kellee Anderson  
Jenny Hershberger

Butte Silver Bow Government

Karen Byrnes  
David Schultz

Guests

Paul Buckley (Rescue Mission)

Call to order at 12:00 p.m.

Charlie introduced new board member, Anton Brennick. He works with the US Forest Service.

Charlie asked David about extending watering taps from the west side of Rowe Road to the east. Would it be better to draw from existing taps by boring under the road or draw from wells at Stodden Park. David replied that both are plausible. Would need occupancy permit from MDOT to bore under road. Drawing from Stodden Park could be considered. Kellee suggested that the money used to do this should be tracked and info used for grant writing.

Taps will be put in on southwest corner of Mercury and Colorado as well as northwest corner of Park and Covert Streets, if planting occurs there. We should ask Sparky's if they would be willing to water the trees in their vicinity. Charlie Judd Park and Koprivica Park have sprinkling system. Do we add emitters here or add another sprinkler zone?

Waiting to hear if construction will be done on Dewey, Park, Iron and Excelsior. If so, will install the taps at the same time.

Reclamation dirt from Bozeman, where it is analyzed for chemicals, etc. is being offered to the board for free per Eric Hassler of the reclamation department. It will be stored at Kelly Mine for us to use as needed.

Board will be working on proposal to deliver to East Butte RRA project. Karen suggests that we include a match in the proposal. Board could manage 20 trees this year. Looking to plant on public and private land.

Let's consider transplanting trees from the Parrot tailing site.

Copper Mountain is finished. Kellee will plan on trimming there in the spring.

Minutes from November were read and approved with changes. No minutes were taken at the December lunch.

No financial report at this time, awaiting delivery from HRDC.

Charlie will ask Ed who new watering employee will be this summer.

Kellee will order more trees for Elizabeth Warren Blvd. Phil expects more money to come in for this project. Need to get approval from airport before continuing down the road. Also need to consider water source.

Still waiting on BSB Health Department project.

Dead trees on Montana. Will wait for trees to leaf out to confirm what to pull out. Re-plant in April / May.

Arbor Day Grant, asked for \$750 to plant 10 trees at Charlie Judd Park.

Tree City of the Year Award application is in, we are waiting for results.

DNRC Program Development Grant has guaranteed at least \$8,000 for the Park and Arizona Streets project.

Business cards for the board are done and were distributed.

Tree Works inventory system is expensive. Data has been entered, but not sure how to use the system for our benefit (such as grant writing). Would like to convert info to spreadsheet. Let's call Helena to see if they can help. Anton will also consult with Pat Riordan and bring back a report. Phil and Kriss will get Tree Works device to Anton.

Tree Bate 2016 has been awarded \$4,830 through economic mil levy. Money has been transferred to our HRDC account. Jenny will work on a template for vouchers this year.

Let's figure out how many trees to plant in spring and order in March.

Next meeting will be February 16<sup>th</sup> at 1pm in Business Development Center.

Adjourn