

## Dallas Center Tree Board

### Meeting Minutes

Wednesday, February 21, 2024

Meeting location: Roy R Estle Memorial Library

Greg Cagle	Chair: Present
Jennifer Pandich	Vice Chair: Present
Hannah Slaughter	Secretary: Present
Ron Steilen	Board member: Absent
Bob German	ex officio member: Absent
Andy Schmitz	ex officio member: Absent
Brett Kaszinski	ex officio member: Absent
Mary Werch	liaison from parks and rec: Present

Meeting called to order by Greg Cagle at 7:04PM

No public comments.

Jennifer Pandich motions to approve minutes of January 10<sup>th</sup> meeting.

Hannah Slaughter seconds

Motion passes 3-0

Email received from City Hall regarding tree at 1507 Walnut St. Appears to be sick and breaking apart/dropping bark. Greg will contact Andy Schmitz to assess the tree.

Arbor Day celebration will be held on April 27<sup>th</sup> from 9-11AM at Mound Park. Free trees will be given away in a drive through fashion in the parking lot. Andy Schmitz has ordered 200 trees of mixed variety- Bur Oak, Swamp White Oak, Northern Pecan, Kentucky Coffeetree, Common Hackberry, Eastern White Pine, Norway Spruce, Serviceberry. Hannah Slaughter will email Brett Kaszinski to have cones provided.

Jennifer Pandich will begin working on application for Community Forestry Grant application. City Council has approved Tree Board request to move forward with this application. Tree Board has 20 locations selected for trees to be planted with this grant, if approved.

Tree Board will reevaluate possible tree planting projects later in the Spring.

Will discuss state champion tree at later date when Andy Schmitz is present. DNR website does not currently list tree.

Email from Brett Kaszinski states all planned tree removals have been completed.

Parks and Rec board will be having clean up day on March 23<sup>rd</sup> on Walnut St/Mound Park. Will be cleaning up flower beds and picking up stick in the park. Easter Egg Hunt will be held in Mound Park again.

Greg mentioned possible needed pruning on trees the Tree Board has planted. Andy Schmitz had previously mentioned this, will plan to discuss at next meeting.

Meeting adjourned at 7:33PM

Next meeting dates:

March 13, 2024- TBA

April 17, 2024- TBA

May 8, 2024- TBA