

**Berkley Tree Board
Meeting Minutes
Monday, April 22, 2024**

Present: K. Karlis, T. Losey, D. Hennen, G. Elrod, B. Lathrop, H. Tylenda, L. Fritsch, S. Young

Absent: M. Leneway, S. Bard, M. Grassa

Additional visitors: None

Meeting was called to order at 7:02 p.m.

Review and Approval of Meeting Minutes – March 25, 2024 meeting minutes approved.

Review and Approval of Agenda – The agenda was approved as proposed.

Public Comments- None

DPW Update – Shawn reported we received the growth award for Arbor Day

Arbor Day at Bacon Park - DPW scheduled the annual Arbor Day Tree Planting event to take place at Bacon Park, this Saturday April 27 at 9 am. A Swamp White Oak will be planted. T. Losey created an announcement and posted to the Tree Board Facebook page. Some of the board have already shared to their groups, and the rest are asked to share to other Berkley groups that may be interested.

S Young updated the board that the city budget for street trees this year will only allow for 100 trees to be planted. There is a possibility of a budget amendment to allow an additional 25 or 30 trees. Letters informing residents of the program will be going out with the water bills.

Tree Ordinance Update – D. Hennen said the second reading (city council) of the updated ordinance had passed and the new ordinance will be going into effect shortly

Berkley Historical Museum Display - Jeff Tong from the Historical Committee helped Kathy to put together a display in honor of Earth Day (April 22) and Arbor Day (April 26). Tree Board materials previously kept in storage at DPW were provided to the Historical Museum last year. Along with these materials, Jeff provided additional materials from the museum to complete this display. The display was set up last Wednesday and will be on display until Sunday May 5. Jeff also offered that these materials could be used in future years to honor Arbor Day. Jeff opened the museum early for this Tree Board meeting and kept the museum open so Tree Board members could view this display following the meeting.

Other Topics not on the agenda – None

Next Meeting: The next meeting is scheduled for Tuesday May 28 (2nd Floor Conference Room, Public Safety Building)

Adjournment: The meeting was adjourned at 7:20 pm.