

Hartford Tree Board Meeting
August 15, 2023
Agenda
Hartford Municipal Building
5:00pm

Meeting Called to Order

Business

Review Minutes from July 18, 2023 Meeting

- 1) Review how poison ivy removal along riparian buffer went and whether to treat the remaining amount of ivy growing in the buffer west of the Porta potties.
- 2) Review how the community invasive shrub removal day unfolded and what to do next in this area such as when and where to plant the 40+ indigenous shrubs currently growing in our nursery
- 3) Discuss when (September) and where to apply the 10 ml plastic that has arrived and the possibility of having some Rec Dept employees help us. Should we plant some of our indigenous species on the eastern end of our project area through the plastic. Answer as to whether this plastic will prevent rain from reaching the root systems of the cottonwoods and the Sycamore that we have planted there.
- 4) Review the characteristics of the 7 trees planted by Jim Lamontagne on Gates St, Hartford Avenue and Pine St.
- 5) Consider locations for an October tree ID walk.
- 6) Discuss how the Tree Warden responded to our inquiry about his continuation.
- 7) Nursery Status- Japanese beetles on Serviceberries and Birches were treated with Neem oil.
- 8) Do we want to use our current \$1500 budget to purchase and plant a tree this Fall? Where and what species?
- 9) Discuss Scott's request for us to not to email a quorum of Board Members. Are there any exceptions?
- 10) Should the autumn olive on Pine Street be removed because it is considered an invasive? Are there any circumstances where invasives can be left alone. The mature buckthorn within our riparian buffer has beautiful petal shaped leaves and the Norway Maples in front of Dothan Brook Elementary School are very attractive.
- 11) Tree of the Month report