

Minutes from North Liberty Tree and Storm Water Advisory Board Meeting

July 14, 2021, 7:00 pm

Call to Order by Abdouramane Bila-Chair person. Board members present: Michael Burrill, Doris Vaske, Guy Goldsmith-Parks Director

Approval of Minutes: No April minutes (No Quorum. Informational meeting only)

Abdouramane Bila opened the floor for Public Comment with no public comments to address.

Board Members:

Welcome one new board member- Doris Vaske

Appointment of board positions for upcoming fiscal year:

Chair Person: Abdouramane Bila

Vice Chair: Michael Burrill

Secretary: Kevin McGrane

Guy Goldsmith provided an update that the trees obtained through a \$1,000 MidAmerican *Trees Please Grant* 2021 have now been planted at Red Fern Dog Park. 5 Red Oak, 5 White Oak, and 5 Red Maple trees were planted. Guy will be working to secure the same grant for 2022.

Guy Goldsmith provided an update on trees being removed that were deemed hazardous during the recent tree survey. Mulch is still available to the public from the mulching of the trees damaged during the derecho.

Guy Goldsmith (Filling in for Mike Wolfe-Stormwater Coordinator) discussed the cost share program which provides funds to help the public with projects that reduce storm water runoff such as soil quality restoration, rain barrels, and rain gardens. These funds will be available in the upcoming year again

Guy Goldsmith discussed the Project Green plant tour at Xtreme Arena (DNR grant outreach) which provided information about the green roof at the Xtream Arena.

August 28th there will be a storm water tour at Centennial Park. Mike Wolfe-Stormwater Coordinator will have a booth with information about storm water runoff as well as a rain table to demonstrate storm water runoff.

Guy Goldsmith discussed a recent fish kill at Broadmoor Estates pond that, with the help of the Iowa DNR, was determined to be due to low oxygen levels. Guy is working to obtain information and cost quotes for a diffuser system which could prevent future kills. Guy offered a reminder that the public can help prevent algae overgrowth in city ponds by ensuring grass clippings are not blown into street and that excess fertilizer is cleaned up from streets and sidewalks.

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Motion to adjourn by Michael Burrill, second by Doris Vaske

Next Meeting date: October 13, 2021, 7:00 pm