

City Tree Board  
City of McGregor  
February 17, 2022 5:30 p.m.

The City Tree Board for the City of McGregor met Thursday, February 17, 2022, at 5:30 p.m. at city hall. Pruett, Keyes, Slocum and Clark were present. Brooks was absent.

The board reviewed information related to the Trees for Kids program which provides funding for trees in conjunction with education of children, teens, and young adults about the importance of trees and their benefits. In addition it serves to offer hands on planting and maintenance experience. The group discussed locations where trees were needed that were in close proximity to the school and the children that could be involved. Canon Park and Turner Park were selected with 4-5 trees to be selected for Canon and 3-4 trees, including some smaller ornamentals for Turner Park. The maximum grant funds are \$2,500 and the program requires 5 or 7 gallon container grown or root bag equivalent and must come from the approved species list provided by the program. If there are funds remaining after selection of trees for Turner and Canon trees will be selected for Determination Park. Slocum will contact the middle school to discuss the project and determine a tentative schedule. Keyes and Pruett will contact Wagner Nursery for the required quotes and nursery certification letter.

More discussion took place regarding the pollinator planting near Determination Park. McManus had brought info on Seed a Legacy program, however it was decided that this program had guidelines that probably were not a good fit for the small area in question. More discussion will take place closer to spring.

Salvage harvest on the conservation easements was discussed. Slocum had contacted the forester to look at the cemetery hill area and the conclusion was that harvesting would cause more damage than benefit. Other conservation areas can be looked at through the spring and summer.

Keyes provided an update on the tree inspection summary with many of the items having been addressed.

With business concluded, Keyes moved seconded by Pruett to adjourn. The meeting was adjourned at 6:45 p.m..

Lynette L. McManus, City Administrator