



CITY OF
COOKEVILLE
T E N N E S S E E

Tree Board Meeting Agenda

March 5, 2025, at 12:00pm

In attendance: Tony Stone, Jeff Thompson, Sid Bundy, Guy Zimmerman, Douglas Airhart, Mary Beth Elrod

I. Approval of Minutes

Douglas Airhart made a motion to approve the February meeting minutes. The motion was seconded by Tony Stone. All were in favor. Tony Stone made a motion to approve the November meeting minutes. The motion was seconded by Douglas Airhart. All were in favor.

II. TAEP Grant Application Planting Update

Nurseries have been contacted. Waiting to setup delivery of trees to start planting next week. Public Works Dept. will be planting.

III. Open Member Position Nominations

Douglas Airhart has a possible candidate that he will talk with.

IV. Pamphlets and give away materials restock

Order/print 2 different pamphlets.

V. Friends of the Urban Forest Awards

Had awards on display at meeting. Will send letters to winners to setup award ceremony. Present April 3rd at the City Council Meeting at 5:30pm at City Hall.

VI. Arbor Day April 25th

Will have a proclamation for Mayor to sign at the April 3rd City Council Meeting at 5:30pm at City Hall. Proclamation will make the April 26th date as the City recognized Arbor Day.

VII. Spring Home Show Participation March 29th/30th

Location: DelMonaco Winery, 600 Lance Dr, Baxter, TN 38544

Times: 10-5 Saturday and 12-5 Sunday

Volunteers: (would like to have 2 people per time slot)

Saturday 10-12 – Tony Stone

Sunday 12-3 – Sid Bundy

Saturday 12-2 – Guy Zimmerman

Sunday 3-5 – Douglas Airhart

Saturday 2-5 – Mary Beth Elrod

VIII. Earth Day at TTU April 22nd

Meet at the patio off Dixie Avenue between 10:30 and 12 noon.

IX. Food Forest Design

Partially completed design as of Feb 20th when work was stopped.

X. Additional Business

- a. February 26th (snow date re-schedule from Feb 19th) – had the UT Extension Pruning class with 25 total present. We need to setup a City of Cookeville employee pruning class.
- b. Storm Damage from this week's storms – 22 total streets that the Public Works Department cleaned up fallen trees. This is at least 1 tree per street but some streets on the list contained multiple trees lost.
- c. This month marks the 5 year anniversary of the March 2020 tornadoes. The 19 memorial trees located at Cane Creek Park just off of CC Camp Road are being maintained by City staff.
- d. We need to check locations where the Tree Board Pamphlets are on display and make sure they are still there. These locations include the Library and the Chamber.
- e. **Member Article needed:** With the large amount of storm damage we have seen over the last several months, we need a Tree Board Member to email Mary Beth an article on how citizens can handle the tree damage.

Meeting adjourned at 12:55 pm