

Salida Tree Board

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A town without trees isn't fit for a dog!

Tree Board Meeting March 8, 2016

Members Present: Kevin Crowley, Katherine Hardgrave, Marilyn Moore, Dan Osborne

Tree Inventory: Katherine, Marilyn, Diana and Kevin met with Dave Hinman, who is enthusiastic about doing a GPS inventory of the city trees. The group discussed the best way to gather the information and parameters to include in the inventory. Dave is currently finishing up GPS inventories of fire plugs, valves, etc., and the group will meet again soon to finalize details for trees. Dave will not start on the inventory until the trees have leafed out. Money to pay Dave for his time will have to come out of the tree board budget for 2016, which means we will likely have no money for pruning or removals beyond finishing the pruning in Riverside Park.

Memorial Trees: Cheryl Clark, Marilyn Moore, Donna Rhoads, Theresa Casey, Kevin Crowley, and Dan Osborne will be a meeting on March 17 at public works to discuss memorial trees. Although trees in the parks are not a priority for the GPS inventory, when he does inventory the parks, Dave can note where there might be space available to plant memorial trees. Kevin and Dan suggested that there is a spot for memorial trees where the River Trail approaches River West, though getting water to the trees would be an issue. We could possibly apply for a Parks and Recreation Association Foundation grant to create a site.

Code Enforcement: Marilyn met with code enforcement officer Deborah Bardol to be sure that she is aware of the arborist licensing requirements, including the requirement that any licensed arborist must adhere to the Salida Pruning Specifications. She will alert us if she sees any topping of trees. Currently only Terra Firma Forestry and Adams Tree Service are licensed to prune and remove trees.

Tree Health Workshop: Katherine will conduct a workshop for homeowners on evaluating the health of trees on Tuesday, March 5, noon – 1:00, at the BV library. She publicize the workshop in the Mountain Mail, on the Salida Citizen, and with PSA's.

Tree Removals: Kevin said that Adams Tree Service will begin removing the six trees that were to have been removed late fall 2015 next week.

NEXT TREE BOARD MEETING: Tuesday, April 12, 8 am, River's Edge

