

Lewiston-Auburn Community Forest Board

(Auburn Community Forest Working Group of SNRB)

Minutes: 8 15 24 Approved

6:00 PM Tree Nursery, North Auburn Road

Present: Dave Griswold, Steve Murch, Jeremy Lavertu, Noel Skelton, Zoe Lidstrom, Robin Payne

Excused: Sam Boss, Rhyanna LaRose

Absent: Hunter Kissam

-Call to Order: 6:09

- 6 20 24 minutes: Approved

-Public Participation: None-

1. **Nursery Tour and Discussion:** Work to be done under the Project Canopy will be done this fall: deer fencing, road work, drainage and signage. There has been no word from Audubon. Steve and Noel; plan to harvest 20 trees in last August-early September for street and park trees. Steve has mats that will make it easier to bring equipment into the site.
2. **Notable Trees:** Focus continues to be on taking more pictures and developing stories about specific trees.
3. **Fall Street Tree Planting:** Lewiston will place the 10 nursery trees. Auburn will place those 10 plus 8 more replacement trees, by October 1.
4. **EL Trees:** Some trees have been planted in the landscape.
6. **EAB survey discussion:** Expenses to treat important ashes and remove potential hazard ash trees should be considered for next year's budget. Noel will provide list of Auburn ash street trees and Dave will evaluate as time permits.
7. **Sycamore removal update:** The Pulsifer Sycamore will be removed this fall after seed collection. Noel is making arrangements to get wood milled. Suggestion was made to contact Jan Santerre to determine potential users of the salvaged wood, similar to what was done with the "Herbie" elm.

Next meeting Sept 19 at the Senior Center.

Adjourn: 7:21

New Business: None

Next meeting: July TBA, hopefully at the nursery.

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