



Forestry Advisory Committee Meeting

July 7, 2016

Meade County Extension Office- 6:30 PM

Members Present: Bill McKee, Ken Meirose, Tony Dargatz and Gene Stock.

Members Absent: Aaron Jordan

Others Present: Josh Larson (Urban Forester)

Agenda Items:

Reviewed Minutes:

Bill motioned to approve the March meeting minutes, Ken seconded. Motioned carried

Status of Dept of Agriculture Challenge Grant

Josh Larson informed the Forestry Committee that the State has extended the deadline of the grant for the purchase of TreeWorks Software until December. Dr. John Ball will be here right after the Rally to start doing Tree Inventory

Emerald Ash Borer

Gene informed the Committee that the Emerald Ash Borer was detected in Omaha NE on June 8, 2016.

Discussion was held about the resources of the Watershed.

Gene and Josh will go to the Watershed the first week of September to decide what should be done regarding the resources on the Watershed. Bob Grams contacted Gene to let him know that people have been up on the Watershed even though it is not officially open to the public yet

Tree Care

Gene informed the committee that the Parks Dept have been watering trees throughout town due to the lack of rain

Other Matters

Gene and Josh went out to Ft Meade to look at a grove of dead pine trees. Josh thinks that it is an environmental issue with the soil. Bill asked Josh if he could take some soil samples and let us know what he finds out.

Meeting adjourned at 7:00 pm.

Submitted by Angie Shideler