

MARIEMONT TREE ADVISORY BOARD

Date

September 14, 2022 Location: Zoom

Call to Order

3:00 pm, Kristin VS.

Members Present (Volunteer Hours)

Larry Gray (LG) 16, Barb Whittaker (BW) 38, Kristin Van Scoy (KVS) 33, Mary Beth York (MBY) 30.5, Marcy Lewis (ML) 8, Bob Faelten (BF) 27.

- Total Period, 152.5 hours
- Total Yearly, 434 hours

July minutes were approved after motion by MBY and second by ML, all in favor.

Agenda:

1. **Tree Report** (John Scherpenberg)

7 new yellowwood trees have been planted on Beech St, which brings the total to 19 trees planted in 2022. With the exception of one ash tree, 3 dead trees on Beech were removed at the time of new plantings and new ones were mulched in a circular fashion. Seventeen chinquapin oaks on Chestnut St. from last fall need to be mulched. BW and LG will apply deer guards and gator bags on new yellowwoods.

2. **ONDR Grant Application** (Kristin VS)

KVS (i) has been preparing a DRAFT of the grant application, (ii) is contacting members individually re: details of each member's contributions to the application, and (iii) will send a draft of the application to Board members for review soon. Wendi VB indicated (*via* KVS) pruning and watering hours do not count for in-kind contributions and neither should be included in the application. ML reported the resolution received Council emergency approval. BW reports that no landscape or nursery businesses have responded to requests for pricing for planting trees that we can use in our budgeting estimates for this grant.

3. **Board Membership** (Kristin VS)

The following members have volunteered for the indicated terms (years) for 2023:

- Voting - Barbara Whittaker (1), Kristin Van Scoy (2), Marcy Lewis (1), Mary Beth York (2), Margaret Jevic (2)
- Non-Voting - Larry Gray (2), Bob Faelten (1)

BW will inform Joanee Van Pelt in order for council to approve these members/terms, as well as any prohibition to a non-voting member serving as secretary. KVS will reach out to those members we have not heard from recently to determine if they wish to remain on the board and for what terms.

4. Mariemont Village Council

Marcy feels council desires to hear from the TAB in person. Kristin VS will represent the Board and report Board activities at the October 10, 2022 Council meeting. Discussion of what the presentation should be at that meeting, and if a slide show MBY has prepared should be part of it. MBY will send that to KVS for review. Council has brought up trees in the downtown area, specifically, the tree lawn in front of Roosters. ML and her husband would like to make an anonymous donation to plant a European hornbeam at that site. The Board approved such action (motion, MBY; second, BW)

5. Master Planting Plan

Large trees have been selected for each district and street. The selection of small and medium trees will be addressed post-grant application submission. The Board will request Wendi VB to help with selecting small and medium trees. BW will reach out to Wendi to determine her availability. Members discussed changes in the Plan: from Southern Magnolia to river birch or silver linden for Lytle Woods, and from shagbark hickory to sugar maple on Grace. Decision to stay final decision until grant meeting next week.

6. Articles in Town Crier

Margaret has written and submitted an article on young tree training and pruning for the October Town Crier. (relayed by BW) BW reported that Wendi has agreed to hold a one hour instructional presentation and John and Wendi agreed on a starting time of 0900. Council chambers have been reserved for that time. BW will get this added to article.

7. Columbia Township Forrester

Larry stated he met Columbia Township (TC) Urban Forrester Jerry Frankenhoff ([513] 476-2367) at freshman TCA. Mr. Frankenhoff would like to attend a Mariemont TAB meeting to (i) experience an example of how a tree board meeting works and (ii) see how CT might use the information in our Master Planting Plan to plan CT tree plantings at CT-Mariemont borders.

8. Fall Clean-Up/Cucumber Magnolias

Bob stated the cucumber magnolia nextdoor to him did not elicit a problem with clean-up.

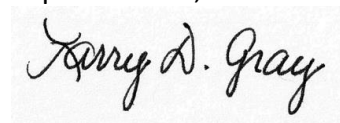
Adjournment

4:10 pm

Minutes Taken and Submitted

Larry Gray

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Important dates:

- Grant proposal meeting 9/21/22 1100 council chambers

- Next board meeting: 10/12/22 1500 location TBD
- Fall young tree training/pruning: 10/21/22 0900 council chambers, immediately followed by hands-on experience
- Junior TCA October 18 & 19