

MINUTES OF THE SUNSET HILLS  
URBAN FORESTRY COMMISSION  
WEDNESDAY, MAY 15, 2017

The City of Sunset Hills Urban Forestry Commission met at the Community Center, 3915 S. Lindbergh Blvd., in said City on Monday, May 15, 2017. The meeting convened at 7:08 p.m.

**ROLL CALL**

Present:	Joel Malke	-Chairman
	Claudia Svoboda	-Member
	Pat Otto	-Member
	Blake Harris	-Member
	Gerald Brown	-Staff
	Mike Svoboda	-Guest

Absent:

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Copies of the December 5, 2016 minutes were distributed to the members for their review. Ms. Otto made a motion to accept the Minutes as submitted. Mr. Harris seconded the motion, and it was unanimously approved.

**NEW BUSINESS**

**Discussion of Open Space Council Grant – Nancy Eschbach Property**

Mr. Brown gave a brief update of all the invasive removal days that have been completed to date:

March 11, 15 and 24<sup>th</sup>. We have had over 150 people assist with removal of invasive honeysuckle removal.

Mr. Brown also reported on grants awarded for \$9,000 and \$15,000 to help assist with honey suckle removal and trail construction.

**Athletic Complex forest improvement**

Mr. Brown gave a brief report that our staff has removed about 90% of all honeysuckle from athletic complex to adjacent property owner. The plan is to rake out the area and plant understory trees.

**Tree City USA**

Mr. Brown reported that we have received the honors of Tree City USA for the 10<sup>th</sup> straight year.

**NON-AGENDA ITEMS**

Mr. Brown gave a report on flooding of Minnie Ha Ha and the Athletic Complex.

**NEXT MEETING**

The next meeting will be August 14<sup>th</sup> and November 13th.

**ADJOURNMENT**

Mr. Harris made a motion to adjourn at 8:10 pm. Ms. Otto seconded the motion, and it was unanimously approved.

Recording Secretary

Gerald Brown