

MINUTES OF A JOINT MEETING OF THE URBAN FOREST REPRESENTATIVES OF THE CITY OF
ASHLAND, BAYFIELD, WASHBURN AND RED CLIFF BAND OF LAKE SUPERIOR CHIPPEWAS
HELD AT BAYFIELD CITY HALL ON MARCH 10, 2014 AT 1 PM

IN ATTENDANCE: Mike Decur - Washburn; Dan Maderich - Ashland; Chad Abel – Red Cliff; Art Ode, Gene Brevold, Billie Hoopman, Tom Kovachevich, and Dionne Johnston - Bayfield

Agenda Items:

- ❖ The ad hoc committee discuss the US Forest Service grant award for the Chequamegon Bay Urban Forest Restoration Project. It's a no match 2 year grant in the amount of \$48,998 to plant 142 trees beginning January 1, 2014 and ending December 31, 2015.
 - Proposed purchase and plant time line:
 - The grant includes:
 - 70 trees for Ashland and they plan to purchase and plant all 70 trees this spring
 - 30 trees for Washburn and they plan to purchase and plant 15 trees this spring and 15 trees next spring
 - 30 trees for Bayfield and they plan to purchase and plant 15 trees this spring and 15 trees this fall
 - 12 trees for Red Cliff and they plan to purchase and plant 12 trees this fall
 - Ode suggested putting in one order for trees to save on shipping cost and asked everyone to get back to him.
 - Purchasing and Planting Protocols:
 - Maderich providing each member with a copy of Section 02632 Tree Purchase and Planting Specifications. Ode stated no more than \$300 should be spent per tree: includes purchase, planting, staking, mulching and watering. Ode cautioned each member to be careful not to overplant one specific genus and species of tree. No more than 10% of total inventory a specific genus and no more than 5% of total inventory a specific species.
 - Reimbursement: Ode stated reimbursement is done on a quarterly basis and everyone should get all invoices to Bayfield City Hall staff promptly for reimbursement.
 - Other project concerns that Ode will forward to Jill Johnson – US Forest Service Grant Coordinator
 - Can the municipalities charge work done by city crews planting trees be reimbursed from the grant?
 - If bids or other costs for the trees and planting come in low, can the money saved be used to plant additional trees?
 - Can some trees be planted for shade, etc. around public buildings as well as in boulevards and parks?
 - Red Cliff has a tribal youth group. If they plant the trees, under supervision, can the youth group be reimbursed for the labor it provides?
- ❖ Next meeting: Ode suggested meeting again in a month at Bayfield City Hall and will email everyone with more details.
- ❖ Adjournment