

**Lewiston Auburn Community Forest Board Minutes
February 18, 2016
Lewiston Public Works Conference Room**



Members present: Rick Shea, Dave Griswold,, Jordan Tate, Zam Zam Mohammud, Chuck LaFean, John Butler, Steve Murch (Lewiston City Arborist), Rick Hersom (Auburn City Arborist)

Excused: Jay Braunscheidel

Guests: Dana Nickles

Meeting called to order at 7:02p.m.

Approval of Draft Minutes:
January 2016

Public Session

No input received.

2016-2020 Strategic Plan

Final draft was reviewed and was adopted unanimously on a motion by Butler, seconded by Murch. See attachment. Strategic Plan is a working document and may be updated as needed.

Conservation Commission Report

Commission is working on improving communications with Council and Staff. Commission is also working on page for City website, with focus on Parks.

Auburn Public Woodlot Ordinance

LACFB draft was approved by Auburn Conservation Commission, with minor changes concerning revenue distribution, at its meeting on January 28. Next step is review by the Auburn City Council Transportation and Environment Committee on March 16.

Tree City USA

Discussions focused on steps needed to complete Lewiston and Auburn applications for 2015.

Ideas for Arbor week activities included:

- Attendance at State event

- Hanging Arbor Week banner in prominent location
- Event at Nursery
- Information table at City Halls and Libraries with display of TCUSA flags and handouts.

Auburn Street Tree Inventory

Project Canopy grant is for \$15,000. A \$5,000 match will purchase 4 tablets to be used for ongoing data collection in the field. A bid package is about to go out to qualified vendors. Rick will follow up on an inquiry from Joe Morrison of Open Tree Map. Rick and Steve will compare notes on data collected in Lewiston. Work needs to be completed by the end of June.

Old Business

None

New Business

Discussion raised issue about the best way to get minutes, as well as other appropriate information and links on the cities websites.

The meeting adjourned at 8:05.

Next meeting tentatively scheduled for March 17 at Auburn Hall Room 204.