

City of Auburn, Maine

"Maine's City of Opportunity"

Conservation Commission



Conservation Commission Agenda

April 11, 2017 - 6:00pm

- 1) Roll Call
- 2) Sub Committee Reports
 - a. Parks Subcommittee
 - b. LACFB
- 3) Open for Public Comments
- 4) Work In Progress
 - a. Barker Mill Dam Relicensing-Update
 - b. Project Canopy Grant
 - c. Recruitment/membership
 - d. Arbor Week Resolution
- 5) Work Completed Since Last Meeting
 - a. Confirm Chuck's standing with the conservation commission
 - b. Advertise the three vacancies we currently have
- 6) New Business Items
 - a. Maine Arbor Week Invitation
 - i. May 22nd, Hallowell City Hall-Maine Tree Cities starting at 1pm
 - b. Maine Land Conservation Conference
 - i. April 21-22, Mt. Ararat Middle School
 - c. Annual Report

Re: Meeting Reminder REPLY

Chuck Lafean <clafean@gmail.com>

Tue 4/11/2017 2:56 PM

To: Jordan Tate <jtate@une.edu>;

Cc: Tizz Crowley <tizzcrowley@yahoo.com>; Anthony Beaulieu <abeaulieu@auburnmaine.gov>; Maurice Keene <mrkn983@yahoo.com>; Susan Clements-Dallaire <sdallaire@auburnmaine.gov>;

Hi all,

There has been a confluence of events that has resulted in this discussion: I had to replace an employee at work during here maternity leave and then another employee on extended vacation. As far as I can recall, each absence resulting from a work commitment was reported prior to the meeting to Nichole (but probably just her). Both of these people are back at work now and things have settled back down.

Additionally, my father-in-law was diagnosed with mesothelioma just before Christmas. My wife and I are the closest relatives and have stepped into the prime care-giver role as Donna's mother is not wholly independent either. This has disrupted things in an unpredictable way as I have had to go to Boston unexpectedly on several occasions as well as having to provide support to Donna when needed. This part of my life will not change in the foreseeable future and is likely to get more intense as time goes by. Obviously, this is where my priority is. Having said that, by my count there are two unexcused absences, and I read everything that comes through, so if we can find a way, I would like to continue to be a member. Of course, if that is not possible, I completely understand. At this point, next Tuesday's meeting is on my calendar and I intend to attend.

Best,

Chuck

Chuck Lafean

On Tue, Apr 11, 2017 at 11:44 AM, Jordan Tate <jtate@une.edu> wrote:

Hi Tizz,

Thanks for the great input. If out of town is the case then Chuck would be excused, however, hopefully we can provide electronic ways to allow him to participate when needed.

Regarding the vacancies, there are three posted here on this link <http://www.auburnmaine.gov/pages/government/current-vacancies> with updated expiration dates, so I believe Susan has listed them all. Sue, have we gotten any applicants yet? Also, posting the alternate positions is an interesting thought, and something we can look into. Hopefully we get enough interest! Thanks everyone,

Jordan

Current Vacancies - Auburn, Maine

www.auburnmaine.gov

Current Vacancies. The City of Auburn has several boards and committees that citizens can volunteer to be a member of. Our current Board and Committee vacancies are ...

Jordan Tate

From: Tizz Crowley <tizzcrowley@yahoo.com>**Sent:** Tuesday, April 11, 2017 11:24:02 AM**To:** Jordan Tate; 'Chuck Lafean' (clafean@gmail.com)**Cc:** Anthony Beaulieu; Maurice Keene; Susan Clements-Dallaire**Subject:** Re: Meeting Reminder REPLY

Hi all:



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WALTER E. WHITCOMB
COMMISSIONER

April 12, 2017

Dear Arbor Week Cooperator:

The winter snows are melting away rapidly, and Arbor Day/Week/Month upon us. As always, the State will celebrate Arbor Week this year the 3rd full week in May. The dates will be May 21st through 27th. The State celebration will be held Monday, May 22nd, at Hallowell City Hall. I hope you will all plan to attend as we celebrate the achievements of Maine's Tree City USA's.

A reception with light refreshments will begin at 1:00 p.m. with the awards ceremony starting at 1:30 p.m.

Please let me know who will be attending the ceremony from your municipality and who will be accepting your award. In addition, please send me several photos of recent urban and community forestry projects, and/or highlights from your community by May 1st. Along with the photos, if you could send me a short summary of your highlights during the last year, that will be helpful for me in developing the program.

As we prepare as a state for the eventual arrival of the Emerald Ash Borer, we again encourage local communities to promote Emerald Ash Borer Awareness by tagging significant ash trees in your community. Tree tagging involves attaching informational cards to ash trees using purple flagging. The tags can be removed anytime. However, we recommend removing them after a month or two, to avoid litter issues. Additionally, many landowners may only want them for a short period of time. Please see the attached informational sheet and sample tag.

The Maine Forest Service Project Canopy will provide you with laminated tree tags (as shown at: <http://www.maine.gov/dacf/php/caps/EAB/index.shtml>), tree values, and purple flagging. Also, where available, Forest Pest Outreach Network volunteers are available to assist in developing and delivering your ash tree tagging event. Contact Jan Santerre at 207-287-4987 or jan.santerre@maine.gov for more information and to participate.

I look forward to seeing you there and helping with you Arbor/EAB Awareness week events. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to call me at 207-287-4987.

Sincerely,

Jan Ames Santerre
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