

**Lewiston Auburn Community Forest Board Meeting Minutes**  
**February 28, 2019**  
**Lewiston Public Works Adams Street**  
**7:00 pm**



**Members present:** Rick Shea, Gary Wadsworth, Steve Murch, John Butler

**1. We reviewed and approved the minutes of the Jan. 24th meeting.**

**2. Public Session-**No public at the meeting.

**3. A member of CC will review the latest Auburn Conservation Commission actions.** No one from the CC was present.

**4. Pest Workshop**

The Browntail moth workshop was held a week later than originally scheduled. Steve said that it was well attended. It may have helped that there was credit available to people who attended and the day was very cold and windy. No public works employee or private Pest company worker wanted to be working outside on a day like that. The speakers were very well informed and interesting.

**5. State Arbor Week Events 2019**

We looked at last year's activities and decided what we would like to happen this year.

- Banners will hung in each city announcing Arbor Week.
- Steve and Gary will have their crews plant a tree in both Pettengill Parks. Gary will need to check with the finance department to see if funds are still in the Forest Board Account. Maybe we could do another 50-50 grant program.
- Get some trees from CMP of the state Arbor Week Celebration to pass out at the library or to a classroom.
- Lewiston and Auburn City Halls will have Arbor Week display placed by Rick.
- We will look into the dates of the state Arbor Week Celebration and plan on attending.
- The board will take the first tree out of the nursery and get a photo of the event. this will include an article outlining the benefits and economic value of the nursery.

**6. Project and Grants**

- We discussed TD Tree Grants, Green Space Grants, and Tree City Grants. Steve said he would try to find the time for a Tree City Grant. Maybe along the lines of the Auburn tree inventory grant. Gary and Steve both would have trouble finding a neighborhood that meet the criteria the the TD Bank Grant.
- It may be too early for Arbor Week , but we should plan a day with volunteers and board members to remove the dead and deer eaten specimens from the nursery and replant with new stock.

## **7. Strategic Plan**

We looked to see what has been completed in the Strategic Plan 2016-2020. It was encouraging to see how much of the activities had been undertaken and accomplished. We will continue to go over the document as we plan in 2019 and 2020.

## **8. New business/old Business**

Membership or the lack of membership was discussed.

## **9. Adjourn 8:14 pm**