

**Lewiston-Auburn Community Forest Board(Rough Draft)**  
**Minutes**  
**March 18, 2021, 7:00 PM by ZOOM**

-Call to Order-The meeting was called to order at 7:04.

Attending-Rick Shea, Steve Murch, Sam Boss, Joshua Nagine, Rhyanna Larose, Carisa Aoki, Dave Griswold, Gary Wardsworth, and Cassidy Cloutier

Review of any unapproved minutes-The last meeting was held 2/18/2021. They were approved by the members who had attended.

Public Participation-none

Arbor Week Planning-The group discussed ideas that were brought up in February.

**-Auburn Riverwalk Story Walk-** We have the Story Walk reserved for the month of May. Members will get together at Auburn Senior Center to plan in detail what will go in each box. Dave and Steve will talk about what to do on the Lewiston side if anything.

**-Planting trees-**Auburn will plant a dozen Ginko trees for the Washington Street project. This species should do well in an area where roadway salt is being used.

**-Tree Nursery Activity-**Steve estimates that 80-100 spaces at the tree nursery would need replacements either due to poor growth or animal damage. He will take care of ordering replacement saplings and/or root stock.

**-Farmers' Market display-**Josh will talk to Cathy and will look into setting up a table in Lewiston and hand out stuff(pamphlets and small seedlings) on Sunday May 9th. We think we can do something similar in Auburn in June. We will do this instead of the City Hall displays we have done in the past.

**-State Arbor Week Activity-**We will check with Jan at the state to see if anything is planned. Rick and Dave will check about hand-outs and saplings that the state has given out in the past. Both cities has completed the "Tree City" applications.

**-Large Banners-**The old banners are falling apart and Rick will check with Pepsi about getting new ones made.

**-Other ideas-**It was suggested that we sponsor a walk at Sherwood Heights School, Gracelawn Bog, Stanton Bird Area, Mt. Apatite or other area.

**New Business-** Rhyanna shared some of the plans that the group at Mt. Apatite are working on. They have a CIP grant for signs. There is interest in planting fruit trees and raspberries. The group would like to get the public out to the tree lots.

There is an interesting apt called "About My Woods" for one's phone.

-Adjourned at 7:57