Lewiston-Auburn Community Forest Board

Minutes for 8 19 21 Approved 9 16 21

Attending: Carissa Aoki, Steve Murch, Sam Boss, Cassidy Cloutier, Rhyanna Larose, Dave Griswold

Public Comment: None

- Dave talked with Gary Wadsworth about Washington Street project, and trees will go in in October. It is likely that public works staff will plant the trees.
- Dave reported on management of EAB trap on Lake Street, just below the Park Street intersection. It was chosen because of the ash trees present. Carissa and Steve are also managing a trap next to Pedro O'Hara's; considering relocating the Lewiston trap. Monitoring will continue through last September. No EAB found so far.
- Steve plans to transplant some large birch trees from the nursery in September and plans to involve the board.
- Dave noted that roughly 60% of the new trees at the nursery hav suffered deer damage. Group discussed possible management strategies including fishing line fence, Irish Spring soap in suet feeders, dryer sheets.
- New arborist has been hired in Lewiston, very experienced, will complement current younger staff member.
- Late September pruning workshop being planned. Will promote with City social media in Lewiston and Auburn, and through our individual networks. Participants should be encouraged to bring their own tools.
- Discussion of road treatment methods and their impacts. 4-5 years ago there was a statewide study on road treatments to address ice and snow.
- Adjourned: 7:07