



2020 Goal: Adopt-Out/Plant  
10,000 Trees  
Current Count To-Date:  
4,300 Trees

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE  
LEON VALLEY TREE ADVISORY BOARD**

Meeting of the Leon Valley Tree Advisory Board (TAB) at 6:03 PM, on Monday, May 14, 2018, at Leon Valley Public Works (Employee Breakroom), 6429 Evers Road, Leon Valley, Texas.

**I. Poll for Attendance and Determination of a Quorum.**

- Staff Liaison: David Dimaline (Present)
- TAB Forester: Mark Kroeze, Texas Forest Service (Present)
- Members Present: Irene Baldrige, Thomas Benavides, Denise Berger, Mary Key, and Amber Mouser
- Members Absent: Melinda Dawson, Diana Sarfin, and Rich Sarfin
- Guest: Belinda Ealy, Leon Valley City Council Member

**II. Approval of Minutes – April 9, 2018.**

- Minutes from April 9, 2018 were approved as written.

**III. Discussion of Status of Oak Wilt Brochure/Letter and Plans for Oak Wilt Education.**

- Mr. Dimaline provided a first draft of an oak wilt brochure/letter to help educate residents on prevention.
- Discussions are as follows:
  - Add the following information:
    - Do not move logs or firewood from infected areas (will spread the disease). The main culprit is Red Oak.
    - Disinfect the cutting tool each time you start to prune a different (new) tree.
  - Residents may contact the Texas A&M Forest Service as well as Leon Valley Public Works if they suspect that their trees are infected.
- Mr. Dimaline and Mr. Kroeze will meet later in the week to identify “trenching candidates” within the city to halt the spread of oak wilt to uninfected areas.

**IV. Update of Tour of Silo Park/Old Mill Park and Discussion on Tree Planting Opportunities.**

- There is an opportunity to plant approximately 75 trees at each park.
- The TAB and Mr. Kroeze will recommend the species of trees to be planted.
- The trees can be planted in the Fall sometime around the Leon Valley Arbor Day which is tentatively scheduled for October 27, 2018.
- Trees that have died in those parks can be replaced now.
  - It will require watering 3 times per week at least for the first month.
  - Public Works has a new water truck with a 2000-gallon capacity.

**V. Future Agenda Items.**

- A. Create more Opportunities for Tree Education.
- B. Create more Opportunities for Tree Planting.

**VI. Adjourn.**

- Meeting adjourned at 7:13 PM.
- The next meeting of the TAB is scheduled for Monday, June 11, 2018, at 6:00 PM, at Leon Valley Public Works (Employee Breakroom), 6429 Evers Road, Leon Valley, Texas.

Chairperson