



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 6:02 PM, on Monday, March 12, 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 (Absent)
  - Members Present: Irene Baldrige, Thomas Benavides, Mary Key, Amber Mouser, and Melinda Dawson
  - Members Absent: Denise Berger, Diana Sarfin, and Rich Sarfin
  
- II. Approval of Minutes – February 26, 2018 & March 2, 2018.**
  - Minutes from February 26, 2018 were approved as written.
  - Minutes from March 2, 2018 were corrected and approved.
    - In item I, moved Melinda Dawson from “Members Present” list to “Members Absent” list.
    - In item I, added Steven Mouser to “Others Present” list.
  
- III. Report by David Dimaline, Public Works Department regarding the Tree Adoption event during the Earthwise Living Day held on March 3, 2018.**
  - Mr. Dimaline reported the following:
    - Three hundred trees were available for adoption; Twenty-five each from six different species to include Bur Oak, Texas Red Oak, Cedar Elm, Texas Red Bud, Crape Myrtle, and Mexican Buckeye.
    - Two hundred and ninety trees were adopted out. The ten remaining will be planted in the city parks.
    - The current tree count to-date has been updated from 4,000 to 4,300.
  - Lessons learned:
    - There was more of a demand for the smaller understory type trees. Future events should focus on having a greater number of smaller trees.
    - It would be helpful to provide planting demonstrations throughout the event as well as a one half-page planting guide.
  
- IV. Report by David Dimaline, Public Works Department regarding the status of the Bio Retention Rain Garden Project.**
  - Report by Mr. Dimaline and discussions are as follows:
    - Funding may come from the San Antonio River Authority via grant and/or from Leon Valley Storm Water.
    - Draft layout of the project area provided by the L&B engineers was reviewed.
    - Site of the garden is on the East side of Raymond Rimkus Park where Forest Meadow St. dead ends into the park. Rain run-off from the street fills a natural swale next to the basketball court and the water sits for long periods of time.
    - The plan calls for approximately seventy trees around the garden. In the garden itself, plants and grasses that can tolerate water will be planted.
    - The TAB Forester, Mr. Mark Kroeze, will be consulted on all plantings.

V. **Future Agenda Items.**

A. Create more Opportunities for Tree Education.

- Not discussed.

B. Create more Opportunities for Tree Planting.

- The TAB will meet at Old Mill Park on April 9, 2018 to evaluate future tree plantings.

VI. **Adjourn.**

- Meeting adjourned at 6:52 PM.

- The next meeting of the TAB is scheduled for Monday, April 9<sup>th</sup>, at 6:00 PM, at Old Mill Park in Leon Valley.



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Chairperson