

**MAPLE GROVE  
ARBOR COMMITTEE  
REGULAR MEETING  
AUGUST 13, 2015  
MAPLE GROVE GOVERNMENT CENTER  
7:00 PM**

Call to Order	The regular meeting of the Arbor Committee was called to order by Arbor Committee Secretary Joe Hogeboom at 7:00 p.m.
Members Present	Marilyn Arnlund, Adam Bedard, Steve Courtney, Joe Hogeboom, Rory Howell, Mary Lynn KenKnight and Terri Polski
Members Absent	Julie Gamber, Mary Parenteau and Ed Reichow
Also Present	Erik Johnson, City Council Liaison; Kelly Matzke, Staff Representative; and Frank Kampel, upcoming member.
Approval of Agenda and Minutes	<p>Joe Hogeboom asked if there were any additions or revisions to the agenda. Kelly Matzke requested the addition of MnDOT interchange project which was added as Item 3D. Rory Howell made a motion to approve the agenda as amended. The motion was seconded by Terri Polski and passed unanimously on a voice vote.</p> <p>Joe Hogeboom asked if there were any revisions to the May 14, 2015 meeting minutes. Hearing none, Adam Bedard made a motion to approve the minutes as presented. The motion was seconded by Steve Courtney and passed unanimously on a voice vote.</p> <p>Joe Hogeboom introduced Kelly Matzke, the new City Staff Representative to the Arbor Committee. Kelly Matzke gave a brief review of his background and job experiences with the City.</p> <p>Joe Hogeboom mentioned that new City Councilmember Judy Hanson will be the new City Council Liaison to the Arbor Committee. He thanked Erik Johnson for his time and contributions to the Committee.</p>

**New Business**

Oath of Office –  
Frank Kampel

Councilmember Erik Johnson administered the Oath of Office to newly appointed member Frank Kampel.

Vicksburg Lane  
Clean Up

Kelly Matzke introduced this item to the Committee. Joe Hogeboom asked if this was the summer or fall clean up. Frank Kampel stated it was the summer clean up. Following discussion, it was decided to meet at Basswood Elementary School at 5:30 p.m. on Thursday, August 27 to pick up trash on Vicksburg Lane for the Adopt-a-Street program.

It was suggested that Kelly Matzke send out an email to Committee members prior to the date of the cleaning.

Buckthorn Removal  
Event

Kelly Matzke introduced this item to the Committee. Following discussion, it was decided to meet at the Forest Preservation sign off of Vicksburg Lane on Saturday, November 7 at 9:00 a.m. with the event lasting until 12:00 noon.

Frank Kampel mentioned that he would get in touch with Kelly Matzke regarding the preparation of the event as it relates to chemicals, tools, etc.

MnDOT Interchange  
Project

Kelly Matzke stated that the City is working with MnDOT on landscaping projects at three Interstate 94 interchanges, those being at Hemlock Lane, Maple Grove Parkway and Weaver Lake Road. Kelly Matzke mentioned that he is meeting with MnDOT on Monday regarding the projects and the application of grants.

The first area is the interchange of Hemlock Lane and I-94. Mary Lynn KenKnight asked what our options were. Kelly Matzke responded by saying that MnDOT is receptive to what the City desires. Frank Kampel mentioned that perhaps milkweed could be planted to aid the monarch butterfly population. Mary Lynn KenKnight stated there is aquatic milkweed available since there are water areas at the interchange.

Marilyn Arnlund stated that pollinator vegetation could be planted in the middle with shrubs being planted along the border.

Joe Hogeboom asked when funds for the project would be available. Kelly Matzke responded by saying that he could know by next week.

Kelly Matzke suggested that the Arbor Committee submit a recommendation to the City Council. Marilyn Arnlund made a motion to recommend to the City Council that the City partner with MnDOT on the interchange landscape projects. The motion was seconded by Adam Bedard and passed unanimously on a voice vote.

#### Area Reports

Mary Lynn KenKnight mentioned that wild parsnip has been found on Three Rivers Park District land near Bass Lake Road. She added that the City needs to be aware of this as wild parsnip can cause skin issues.

Marilyn Arnlund suggested placing parking lot trees on the next agenda. Frank Kampel mentioned that the issue of failing parking lot trees and structured soil was brought up to Ken Ashfeld previously after quotes from consultants were received and following Mr. Ashfeld's discussion with City Administrator Al Madsen, it was decided the high consultant fees could not be justified.

Erik Johnson mentioned items that the City Council have been working on:

- Judy Hanson was recently appointed as the new Councilmember
- Two people were appointed to the Planning Commission
- The Council looked at a development proposal for the northeast corner of Elm Creek Boulevard and Hemlock Lane.
- Central Park is coming along. Adam Bedard mentioned that the ribbon cutting is scheduled for August 20<sup>th</sup>
- Applications for City Administrator are being accepted through Monday.

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- Total Wine is going in the space previously occupied by Office Depot

Adjournment

Adam Bedard made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:42 p.m. The motion was seconded by Rory Howell and passed unanimously on a voice vote.

Respectfully submitted,  
Frank Kampel, Member  
City of Maple Grove Arbor Committee