



being proposed. Frank Kampel indicated that code limits the trees of one species to 20% so the number of Autumn Blaze Maple, Norway Spruce and Prairie Gold Aspen must be reduced to five (5) or less. It was also mentioned that Maple and Spruce are overplanted in Maple Grove and in the desire for more diversification, it is suggested that other tree varieties be used to replace the Maple and Spruce.

It was mentioned that the landscape designer did a lot of research choosing the plant materials as all require sun to part shade and are drought tolerant. It was also mentioned that no shrubs will produce berries.

It was suggested that a letter be written to the landscape designer indicating that the Committee is pleased with the plant selections.

#### Invasive Species Temporary Tattoos

Mary Lynn KenKnight introduced the idea of passing out temporary tattoo appliques of invasive species at the Maple Grove parade. The appliques are provided by the DNR and come in four different ones. Instructions on their use are included. Michelle Burks mentioned that it would be better to hand out the candies first, then the tattoos. Mary Lynn KenKnight will send out an e-mail to Committee members on how to obtain them from the DNR. Each person can obtain 25 of each of the four tattoos for a total of 100 each.

#### Garlic Mustard

Mary Lynn KenKnight introduced discussion on an invasive plant material, Garlic Mustard, which showed up in Maple Grove last year. She mentioned that the plant emits a chemical that prevents anything else from growing nearby. Each plant can develop and disperse up to 8,000 seeds in one season and are viable for 12 or more years. It was mentioned that the plant is fairly easy to pull out of the ground but must not be left on the ground after removal because of the seeds. Mary Lynn KenKnight mentioned that the plant can be stopped if action is taken now. She mentioned that it is currently located in the Nottingham Palisades area and by Boston Scientific. The plant can be treated with chemicals or burned. Frank Kampel will provide Mary Lynn with a map to indicate where the plant is growing so that the

property owners can be notified.

Japanese Barberry

Mary Lynn KenKnight passed out a flyer on Japanese Barberry produced by the Minnesota Department of Agriculture. She mentioned that as of January 1, 2016, 26 cultivars of Japanese Barberry will be placed on the Restricted Noxious Weed list which prohibits it from being sold and propagated in Minnesota. The varieties restricted are prolific seeders which makes it invasive and noxious.

Drought Tolerant Trees

Mary Lynn KenKnight passed out a flyer of drought tolerant trees. Some of the trees on the list are not tolerant in Zone 4 and the ones that are, are on the Committee's suggested tree list so there is no need for the flyer.

Old Business

2015 Arbor Day Review

The Committee discussed each of the activities that took place at this year's event, determining whether they desire to have that activity at next year's event or not. The following comments were made:

- Neighborhood Buckthorn Eradication Program
  - Placing something in the City Newsletter and Osseo/Maple Grove Press would be better than a display. Garlic Mustard eradication could be added for spring eradication with buckthorn in the fall.
- Buckthorn Busters
  - The person selling the dabbers could explain its use more. Using the dabber to apply the glyphosate in the forest preservation area would be better than spraying.
- DNR Invasive Species
  - This display was located on the end. A different location would be better.

- Mulch display
  - Expand to include types of mulch to use.
- Birdhouse building – Home Depot
  - A display was present on window replacements. If they have displays, they should be related to landscaping.
- Escalate Dance and Theatre Studio
  - Their performance was not what was envisioned.

The Committee desired to keep all other activities on the list.

Mary Lynn KenKnight suggested having the event on the City's Facebook page next year. She added that someone asked if trees could be sold at the Arbor Day event. It was suggested that perhaps orders for trees could be taken.

Lastly, the date of April 30, 2016 was established for next year's Arbor Day event.

#### Area Reports

Michelle Burks mentioned that rocks are sliding down the slopes on the round-a-bouts at Highway 610 and Zachary Lane.

Terri Polski mentioned the large oak tree in the Oak View Elementary School parking lot was removed.

#### Other Items

Chairperson Mary Parenteau thanked Frank Kampel for his 20 years as Staff Representative to the Arbor Committee. She mentioned the many job duties that he has had over the years. She stated that she asked Frank what it was that he liked most about the Arbor Committee, and he stated the people that he has worked with.

Frank Kampel thanked the Committee and looks

forward to becoming a member to continue his involvement in the important things the Committee does for the City.

Chairperson Mary Parenteau mentioned that there will be a tree dedication for Frank Kampel as soon as the plaque has been made. Frank Kampel thanked the Committee for that honor.

Adjournment

Steve Courtney made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:45 p.m. The motion was seconded by Adam Bedard and passed unanimously on a voice vote.

Respectfully submitted,  
Frank Kampel, Staff Representative  
City of Maple Grove Arbor Committee