

CORE Minutes– JULY 13, 2021

Zoom meeting 6:00 pm

Attendees: Larry Warwick, Bill Horn, Myra Zyburt, Barry Crust, Sue Gurley, Debbie Klosowski, Kris Docherty

Approval of Minutes- June minutes approved

Treasurer's Report -6/30th \$18,118.71, only expenditure pending are the tools Debbie purchased.

Volunteer Hours – Orchard hours for June are 2.75 and Administrative. Kris needs the Administrative hours

Staff Report—Irrigation was increased by 120% due to the extreme hot weather. Fred Langdon states that dwarf rootstock requires more water than the original Curran trees. He was recommending that more water be directed to the high density and the espalier trees. There are trees without water due to being disconnected. CORE worked on this in the past. The city has deferred to CORE to resolve irrigation problem as this is a volunteer project. We have the tubing /hoses in the barn. We need volunteers to work on this project. Debbie stated tree 1-1 has a dead limb that should be removed.

Website nothing to report

Tree Maintenance

--Thinning / High Density –There are trees that are loaded primarily the Mac and the Delicious this year. It was noted that apples are burned and mushy. Myra noted that her tree 27-7 has no water going to her tree. Larry volunteered to check out Myra's tree's water problem at 10 AM tomorrow. Barry volunteered to help Larry.

--Leaf Curl – Aphids

--Ground vegetation under trees/bark chips- there is great deal of vegetation under all the trees that affects the look of the park. Lack of spreading bark has led to the growth of vegetation this year. It was decided to email the adopters to clean vegetation under their trees. Debbie will request bark from the City, as the pile was very low. Adopters can use the tarps for removal of vegetation and put the vegetation in the dumpsters.

--Insect Trap hanging and updates – Debbie asked should she continue to check out the traps. There has been a few codling moths and little other -changes in July. It was recommended that she continue to check out the traps, as the data will be helpful when evaluating the spray needs.

--Windfall –none seen

Tree Adoptions – 147 adopted 40 mature trees left primarily Red Gravensteins. There is a new adopter Cut off for adoptions are July 31. We need ask Tony to bring in the adoption sign.

Tree Tags –Kris – I will check with Kayla regarding the new adopters tree and name spelling.

Tree Signs- Barry-none

Cider Squeeze-CORE decided to cancel Squeeze due to COVID concerns.

Misc.

--Pole saw and harvest bucket purchase –Debbie will add paint to identify them as belonging to CORE/Orchard before putting them in the barn. She used Amazon and Home Depot

--Barn painting – pending

Debbie will send out letter to adopters to CORE for review. She then sends it to adopters. She will send clean up request to the community through Suburban Times and UP Patch

CORE Plans on Picking High Density on Friday August 27th: Adopters with poor apple yield can pick up apples on August 28th 9-12 (adopter's email will ask them to let CORE know of their need)

Next Zoom Meeting: Tues, Aug. 3 6pm