

Colorado Tree Coalition

January 26, 2018

Broomfield Community Center
280 Spader Way
Broomfield, CO 80020

Meeting Called to Order by Chuck @ 10:06am

Introductions

Acceptance of last meeting minutes was motioned by Neal Bamesberger, 2nd by Micaela Truslove and all approved.

CommuniTree Awards – Chuck Gehringer presented Becky Wegner the CommuniTree Award for volunteering her time and dedication as the CTC Treasurer.

Treasurer's Report

Thru Dec 31st of 2017

Checking:	141,851.95
Tree Trust:	45,358.38
Reforest Colorado:	50,737.71
Pay Pal:	<u>4,038.93</u>
Total:	\$241,986.97

2017 budgeted income was \$119,075.00 and actual income was \$124,711.88 producing an excess of \$5,636.88.

Budgeted expenses were \$132,200.00 with actual expenses totaling \$130,187.50, with the difference being \$2,012.50.

Income:

Bicycle Classic: \$3,460.00 115% of budgeted, more income expected

Colorado Gives and other donations: \$1,406.38, 140% of budgeted, more income expected

Merchandise Sales: 1,470.09, 294% of budgeted, more income expected

STEP: \$2,972.40, 165% of budgeted, more income expected

Trees Across Colorado: \$59,835.00, 105% of budgeted, more income expected

Expenses

Trees Across Colorado 49,343.50 was more than budgeted, purchased more trees than anticipated

Xcel Foundation Grant: 18,000.00 of 18,000.00 paid out.

Eastern/ Western Colorado Tree conference: budgeted 1,000.00 spent \$1,926.37

The Tree Trust and ReForest Colorado transfers have yet to be completed.

Move to accept report by David Flaig, seconded by David Sexton. The Treasurer's report has been accepted.

There was talk about 4th quarter financial report and changing where the categories lie. Three financial documents were presented to the board. There were questions on the CSU grant under income as well as expense section possibly move tree tags from special projects to merchandise. STEP financial data

does not add up and will further be investigated. Tree collections grant had some questions why there were two \$6,000 payments. The \$18,000 is going out to tree planting grants this year. The \$6000 was spent some of it early in 2017 and the rest will go to the coming future. David Flaig makes a motion to accept amended financial report and Neal seconded. The motion was accepted. \$132,200 is the expense real number not \$157,000.

New Business

2018 Grants –

There were 18 CTC Grant applicants this year totaling \$28,898. Here is the list below:

Community	Request	Total Cost	Amt Funded	# of Trees
Town of Monument	\$726	\$1,451	\$726	36
Town of La Veta	\$2,000	\$4,387	\$2,000	16
Grand Junction Forestry Board	\$2,000	\$6,600	\$2,000	N/A
Butterfly Pavilion	\$1,313	\$2,625	\$1,313	N/A
Highlands Ranch Metro District	\$2,000	\$5,750	\$2,000	Unspecified number of trees
ONEN	\$2,000	\$36,500	\$2,000	73
City of Monte Vista Tree Board	\$1,360	\$2,720	\$1,360	7
Town of Mancos	\$2,000	\$4,000	\$2,000	10 to 20
Fort Lewis College	\$2,000	\$6,390	\$2,000	12
Town of Estes Park	\$2,000	\$4,112	\$2,000	11
Fort Garland Museum	\$2,000	\$5,743	\$2,000	12
South Suburban PRD	\$2,000	\$4,000	\$2,000	Unspecified number of trees
PLAY Boulder Foundation	\$1,500	\$5,700	\$1,500	12
Kersey Tree Board	\$2,000	\$3,980	\$2,000	14
The Park People	\$2,000	\$5,770	\$2,000	N/A
Rocky Ford Tree Board	\$2,000	\$4,000	\$2,000	7
	\$28,898		\$28,898	

The board was also discussed a ReForest CO project in the Waldo Canyon fire area. \$3,596 is what is needed to replant seedlings over the canyon. This is a great project to do the reforest program. Motion Bill Cassel to accept and David Flaig seconded. The Reforest request for \$1,800 was accepted. David Flaig motion to approve grant applications except for the two lowest scoring applications. Gertie Grant seconded. The 2018 Grants accepted.

Budget:

The proposed income for 2018 totaled \$132,000.00 with the Xcel Vegetation Management grants totaling \$24,000.00, APHIS money not included.

Proposed expenses for 2018 total \$170,392.00. This value includes TPT conference TAC went up to \$58,000 in expenses as well as Bicycle classic. Community grants to total \$26,000.00

No Fed budget yet for FY '18, Keith has heard that we will probably get a base amount of funding. For 2019 the UCF program has been zero'ed out in the President's budget. We have money for 2018 so we need to plan on what to do in the future. There was discussion on \$8,500 APHIS money left to spend from couple years ago. We need to use it for an insect related project. Micaela brought up a suggestion co tree view tool to help fund the development of tree waste when ash trees are cut down. For the final number for Income \$132,000. For Expenses people are not using scholarships. Just for registration up to \$300. Added more money to contract services. In the Xcel grant went up to \$32,000. Motion to pass the budget Neal Bamesberger move to accept, David Flaig seconded. The 2018 Budget has been approved.

Volunteer program by Nancy Klasky

Nancy came in to discuss what she does with CSFS and how she can intertwine with the CTC and volunteer program. The Colorado State Forest Service Volunteer program is a hands-on volunteer program. Trying to connect with Urban forestry and the CTC. With CTC grants can we connect with volunteers. If board has any ideas to connect this program let Keith and Nancy know.

Alliance for Community Trees Membership

Keith has been approached by ACT to see if CTC has a proposal for a \$15,000 grant for Denver for planting. Keith received an email from Matt Spitsen. Possibly use it for 2019 grant money we might not get from the feds. Pay \$125 membership fee with ACT to be able to receive the grant. Keith, Dave F, Bill C. and Nancy will look for projects for Spring 2018. The Board discussed the money to go somewhere else. Possibly work with Brighton and Kyle. Denver Arbor day event is another possibility. David Flaig made a motion to pay the \$125 out of board expenses. Kyle Sylvester seconded it. It has been approved for \$125 membership fee to come out of Board Expenses.

Old Business

Colorado Gives Day December 5th, 2017 Karen Duez
Success- Brought in \$1069.92, Karen will start updating the profile in April.

The Trees, People and Towns Conference is happening in June at the Ranch complex in Loveland then Windsor for the next day. Agenda is about complete. End of march early April for registration on the CTC website. Trying to pull five states to this conference. More details to come.

Education and Outreach

Champ Tree Report

13 nominations and 12 made the list. Up to 750-760 trees on the list. New species were added to the list. Champion tree foundation is looking for corporate sponsors because Davey pulled out. Neal checked the list and there are possible 14 new nominations for national champion tree list.

Tree Collections

Signs have been made and are available to distribute to every collection. Participating entities would need to furnish bolts and sign post and install the signs. The subcommittee voted to allot one collection one sign supplied by the CTC. Any additional signs would be purchased directly through CTC for \$20. So, collections that cover large swathe of land or have several key corridors could utilize more than one sign at that location (one paid by CTC and additional signs purchased through the CTC at cost).

New collections have been entered in Eads (3), Longmont (2), Westminster, Northglenn, Erie (3), and Wheatridge.

Currently in discussions with Golden, Aurora, and possibly Boulder to see about adding additional collections. CSU is a possibility, but we are having issues with the data set that Dr. Klett has given to us.

Tree finder app

Tree Collections will replace the app when champ trees are added. Kyle and Mike are working on a button to add the champion trees. Using Neal's spreadsheet of champion trees to plug into the app. They took out private trees and just put public trees instead. They would love to have pictures to go with the data.

Social Media

686 likes and trying to get more members out of that. Boost for \$30 help pushes out to more people than just followers. Will be setting up Instagram with Karen.

The Web Site- Urban wood utilization page for Micaela to take over and start a blog such as adding stories about recycled wood. Board needs to go through programs and update Karen as soon as possible.

Annual report

The report will be finished and sent out in February.

Colorado Arbor day poster contest

There has been an email blast to the teachers' emails as well as added rules to the website. Kyle is waiting on funding for prizes for teacher and student. Kyle will know more later. April 6th is the judging of the Colorado Arbor day poster.

Training

FRUFC- March 15, combined with Tree Diversity Conference. There was an action item as proposed by Jim McGannon to review FRUFC committees, consensus was the committees still function effectively for their intended purposes.

Tree Risk Assessment

Bill sent out committee with paperwork and received one response back. Every five years the program needs to be revised. New Tree Risk manual is being released this year. CTC can use the single tree form and directions to the form from ISA. The website will be updated under Tree Risk with:

"The CTC Risk Management Program was created specifically for managers of large tree populations in urban and community settings. Using universally identified indicators such as target, defect, failure potential and species, this program can be modified with local concerns to prioritize trees needing individual assessment. The use of this program is not intended to determine which tree within a group will fail first, but to give the organization or community managing these trees a method to start their tree risk management program.

To request the tree risk management forms please contact Keith Wood at keith.wood@colostate.edu”

Workshops

Eastern will be combined with the Trees, People and Towns Conference in 2018
Western to be held September 7th, 2018: Vince is working with WCCFC

The Greeley Workshop will take place February 23, 2018

Tree Diversity workshop 2018 - March 15th, in conjunction with FRUFC @ the Denver Botanical Gardens

Funding

Trees across Colorado

1,275 trees are coming April 17, 2018 which is up 200 trees from last year. There are currently 17 groups. There is a new onloading site in Windsor. David and Gertie met with Super trees for the order 2019 and possibility order for 1,250 trees. We are committed to place all #7 trees.

Tour De Poudre

Thank you to Becky Lamphear who will take over this program in 2018. Location might change. More details to come.

Membership

2018 Renewals went out 11/27/2017. Next one to go out 2/2/2018
The different types of memberships are:

Membership History

TYPE	Jan 18	Oct 17	Mar 17	Jan 17	Jan 16
IN	19	31	28	24	27
FA	5	18	16	15	15
BC	21	44	44	36	44
PA	6	11	11	11	6
PLT*	0	0	0	0	0
Total	51	104	99	86	92

Merchandise

1-Notecards – 7 pack
\$100 Tribute Card

Administration

Contract

David Sexton motion to approve 2018 contract with Karen Duez and Dave Flaig seconds it. The motion to approve 2018 contract with Karen Duez has been approved.

Next Meeting

April 6, 2018 with location in Brighton.

Attendance

Gertie Grant
Neal Bamesberger

Dave Sexton
Dave Flaig
Bill Cassel
Donna Davis
Kyle Sylvester
Keith Wood
Micaela Truslove
Chuck Gehringer
Nancy Klasky
Karen Duez
Rebecca Lamphear