

A meeting of the Tree Committee was held at Black Creek Park at 9:00 am on May 29.

Next meeting: June 5, 9:00 am, Black Creek park

Attendees:

**John Howdsen
Anne Plummer
Shari Stromer**

Diana Lopez was not able to attend.

Decisions made:

- 1. Name of the committee will be "Copper Cove Park Beautification Committee"**
- 2. New irrigation should be done as soon as possible**
- 3. New trees will be planted this fall after the ground becomes workable from rain in September or October.**
- 4. Eight new deadoras are needed to replace the dead ones at the edge of the grass playing fields.**
- 5. Five additional shade trees are needed for the ball field seating area**
- 6. Ten shade trees are needed for the play ground area**
- 7. List of trees was narrowed down to white ash, little leaf linden, zolkeva, red maple and locust (Shari to edit and e-mail her list)**

Information shared:

- 1. Shari obtained an estimated cost for the play ground grassy area. \$.43 sq/ft, installed, from Delta Bluegrass. (app. 12,650 sq/ft x \$.43 sq/ft = \$5,440). Area will have to be prepped by us prior to installation. Prep work includes:
 - Grading (Can Kevin do this?)**
 - Lay down hardware cloth/poultry netting (True Value estimate = three rolls @ \$200 each)**
 - Topsoil (Rollerei estimate \$4,559. Might be able to get a better deal by talking to owners.)**
 - Irrigation installed and ready (Need estimates. John to ask Diana for names she has.)****

Total cost w/o grading or irrigation = \$10 - \$12K. May have to put in budget for next year if not approved for this year.

2. John provided a rough plot map with the buildings and current trees marked.

3. New trees will need about 30 gallons of water a week each during the first couple of growing seasons.

4. Anne passed out copies of info from the Sacramento Municipal Utility District's website on shade tree choices for parks, care of shade trees in parks, and planting trees in parks. Several of the trees are also on Shari's list.

5. Discussed the need to have a single point of contact on the Board (or their delegate) for decision making and information sharing. We don't want to deal with conflicting information from different people or people who are not in a position to make a decision for the Homeowner's Association.

Action Items:

1. Anne to update the plot map with future trees.

2. Members to review information on the five tree choices listed above to become familiar with them so we all know what we're talking about.

3. John to invite Alfred to our next meeting to provide info on existing irrigation, water sources, etc.

4. John to ask Diana for the names of the irrigation people she knows.

5. Shari to call McCarty's for estimates on topsoil and mulch 6. Shari to call Sierra Pacific to ask about wood chips for mulch

Let me know if I missed anything that needs to be included in these notes.