

4. CBE Report: Ms. Wick shared the following highlights:

- Voted to give the Green Award to Meg Oates, who helped to launch the Green Team in Calvert Hills.
- Continuing to work on labeling trees along the Trolley Trail as well as working on the website.
- Working on providing information on a plastic bag ban in the City. CBE members conducted a survey at various stores on how many plastic bags have been used.

5. Old Business

a. TCEP Guidelines

The County revised the rain check rebate program to allow municipalities with tree planting reimbursement programs to participate in the County's rain check rebate program. The municipality's program reimbursement should be capped at \$150. The TCEP reimbursement is \$150 and currently capped at \$750 in a 5-year period. Ms. Alexander was asked what happens after the 5-year period. The Board discussed the TCEP guidelines and it was suggested to remove the TCEP and provide annual free tree giveaways. There was a concern that residents may not be able to plant a tree on their own and the Board discussed using Casey Trees as a contractor for the City to plant trees for residents. After discussions, the Board agreed to keep the TCEP in place as it is referenced in the Tree Protection Ordinance.

b. Recap of April 19, 2022 City Council Worksession

The Council reviewed the proposed tree ordinance with amendments but did not vote on the ordinance. 4 Councilmembers are in favor of the proposed ordinance, but 4 Councilmembers are undecided. The Council will re-visit the tree ordinance at the May 4th worksession.

c. Free Tree Giveaway on April 23, 2022

The free tree giveaway will be held at the Public Works building. Volunteers should arrive at 7:30am as the event starts at 8am.

d. Arbor Day on April 29, 2022

The City's Arbor Day event is scheduled on April 29th at Calvert Road School at 2pm.

e. Municipal Scene Article

Articles are due on April 25. The May article will be on identifying and reporting the spotted lantern fly.

6. New Business

a. Resident Suggestion of Cherry trees along Cherry Hill Rd

The Board discussed a resident's request to plant Cherry trees along Cherry Hill Road. Ms. Alexander informed the Board the City does not maintain Cherry Hill Road as it is a Prince Georges County maintained road. Another concern is that type of tree does not do well with road salt during the winter and this may cause harm to the trees.

7. Next Meeting Date

The next meeting is scheduled on May 18, 2022, at 7:00 p.m.

8. Adjourn

Ms. Alfred motioned to adjourn the meeting. Second by Ms. O'Brien. The meeting was adjourned at 9:15 p.m.