

**Duluth Tree Commission**  
**Meeting Minutes**  
**March 2012**

1) Call to Order – 7:05

2) Members present – Christine took notes. Other members not noted.

3) Update from Shanna

17% of inventory complete.

Working on Arbor Day

Attended the Living Green Conference in Feb.

Presented resource for landowners: MY MN Woods

Updated status of volunteer tree planting pruning for spring season

Gravel bed update: funds from Tree Funded created by Ord will be used to enlarge and improve the gravel bed.

Loss of casino revenue will result in loss of any tree planting on blvd during street improvements.

4) Mgt Plan

Items to include:

Instructions for tree planting from MNDOT.

Planting survival inventory

Require white plastic tubes and mulch

Bare root trees will require staking: these can be reused.

Need response to homeowners attacking trees with mowers and wackers and unsupervised pruning.

5) Brian to investigate the status of the trees at Woodland Middle School development site and status of tree ord enforcement.

6) No update on Airport

7) Magney Snively is proceeding @ record pace for SNA set-aside.

8) Forestry update

Forestry set aside 30K for tree planting. 10K for demonstration project to remove invasives.

Amity creek restoration planted over 5K trees.

Judy working on clearing out Reed Canary grant from Hartley to the dam.

Judy will send out buckthorn control plan: Cut the berry producers!

Financial infusion from referendum to fund improvements & expansion of parks, playgrounds, recreation, etc.