ARTICLE X - Tree Board

Sec. 2-201. - Creation.

There is created and established a Town Tree Board, to be known as the "Tree Board of the Town of Buena Vista," which shall operate in accordance with and subject to the provisions, duties and limitations of this Article.

(Prior code 2.32.010)

Sec. 2-202. - Appointment; qualifications.

The Tree Board shall consist of seven (7) voting members who shall be appointed by and serve at the pleasure of the Board of Trustees. The board shall also include the Public Works Director and a designated Board of Trustees member, both of whom shall serve as non-voting ex officio members. The Board of Trustees shall also appoint two (2) alternate members who shall perform all of the duties of a regular voting member in the absence of a regular voting member from a meeting of the board. Board members, inclusive of alternates, need not be residents or qualified electors of the Town.

(Prior code 2.32.020; Ord. 10 § 2, 2014)

Sec. 2-203. - Term of office; vacancies.

- (a) Voting members of the board, inclusive of alternates, shall serve staggered terms of three (3) years unless earlier removed from office. Voting members may be reappointed to serve on the board without limitation. All terms shall commence on January 1st. The Board of Trustees may reappoint members at the end of each term.
- (b) Vacancies in voting member positions shall be filled by alternate members if available, absent alternate members the vacancy shall be advertised and applications accepted. The board shall review submitted applications and may request interviews. A selection shall be made by a majority vote of all board members. The selection shall be presented to the Board of Trustees as a recommendation for appointment. Appointments made by the Board of Trustees shall serve out an unexpired term.

(Prior code 2.32.030; Ord. 10 § 2, 2014)

Sec. 2-204. - Compensation.

Members of the Tree Board shall serve without compensation.

(Prior code 2.32.040)

Sec. 2-205. - Duties and responsibilities.

The Tree Board shall have the following duties and responsibilities:

- (1) To study, investigate, develop and recommend to the Board of Trustees the adoption of a written plan for the care, preservation, pruning, planting, replanting, removal or disposition of trees and shrubs in parks, along streets and in other public areas.
- (2) Once a written plan is adopted by the Board of Trustees, to recommend annual updating and modification to such plan.

- (3) To bring to the attention of the Board of Trustees any action or condition which is in apparent violation of any ordinance of the Town pertaining to trees or matters related to trees, and to recommend to the Board of Trustees any specific remedial or enforcement action desired by the Tree Board.
- (4) To perform such other and further duties and responsibilities with respect to the trees located within the Town as may, from time to time, be delegated by the Board of Trustees, or which are provided for by Town ordinance.

(Prior code 2.32.050)

Sec. 2-206. - Operation.

The Tree Board shall elect officers and shall fix the term of such offices. The Tree Board shall keep contemporaneous written minutes of its meetings, inclusive of discussions, votes and actions taken therein. Four (4) members of the Tree Board shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business.

(Prior code 2.32.060; Ord. 17, 1996 §2)

Sec. 2-207. - Meetings.

The Tree Board shall meet at the Town's Community Center on such dates as the Tree Board may determine. All meetings of the Tree Board shall be subject to the same open meeting laws and requirements as are applicable to the meetings of the Board of Trustees.

(Prior code 2.32.070)

Sec. 2-208. - Rules and regulations.

The Tree Board may adopt rules and regulations governing its operation; provided, however, that no such rule or regulation, or any amendment thereto, shall become effective until such rule, regulation or amendment thereto has been approved by the Board of Trustees.

(Prior code 2.32.080)

Secs. 2-209—2-220. - Reserved.