



Legislation Text

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TITLE:

Receipt of the Tree City USA Award

PURPOSE: The Town of Carrboro has been named a Tree City USA for 2013 by The National Arbor Day Foundation to honor its commitment to its community forest. Student winners of the poster contest will attend the meeting and be recognized by the Town. Posters will be on display.

DEPARTMENT: Public Works

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INFORMATION: One of the goals of the Public Works department in providing for the reforestation of the Town is to continue the program level necessary to maintain the Town's recognition as a Tree City USA. Carrboro has met the four standards to become a Tree City USA: a tree board or department, a tree care ordinance, a comprehensive community forestry program, and an Arbor Day observance.

Arbor Day was celebrated on Thursday March 13, 2014 with the students at Carrboro Elementary school. The celebration included comments from Mayor Lydia Lavelle, presentation of the Tree City USA Award by the NC Division of Forest Resources, planting of a Golden Delicious Apple tree, and recognition of 3 poster contest winners.

FISCAL & STAFF IMPACT: Purchase of Golden Delicious Apple Tree (\$36) and 12 labor hours.

RECOMMENDATION: The town staff requests the Board of Aldermen receive the Tree City USA Award for calendar year 2013 and recognize the student winners of this year's poster contest.