

WELLSBORO SHADE TREE MEETING

OCTOBER 13, 2014

MINUTES

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The meeting of the Wellsboro Shade Tree Commission was called to order by Howard Rutledge, Chairman. The Pledge of Allegiance was said by all present.

ATTENDANCE: Members from the Shade Tree Commission were Howard Rutledge, Peter Herres and Vicki Fox. Also present were Borough Manger Daniel Strausser and Water & Sewer Clerk Teresa Marshall.

MINUTES: Peter Herres approved the minutes from the September 8, 2014 meeting as written and Vick Fox 2<sup>nd</sup>. Passed

FALL PLANTING: There has been 20 sites identified for fall planting. A grant is being used to plant these trees. They should be in sometime in November.

HAZARD TREE REMOVAL: There have been trees on West Avenue, Bache Street and Fischler Streets that have been deemed hazardous. They are talking with the Electric Company to see if some of the trees can be taken down by them. A couple of the trees have been taken down by contractors.

EMERALD ASH MANAGEMENT PLAN: A motion was made by Peter Herres to submit the spread sheet that was done on the Ash trees to the Department of Forestry to see if they can be reimbursed for ½ of the costs for treatment. Vicki Fox 2<sup>nd</sup>. Passed.

VET CLUB PARKING LOT: The planting plan was tabled until the quantity of trees can be clarified.

TOM BIRD BILL: A motion was made by Peter Herres to reimburse Mr. Bird \$400.00 toward the costs of removal of the tree. Vicki Fox 2<sup>nd</sup>.

TIME REQUIREMENT: Peter Herres made a motion to change the time limit from 24 hours to three working days for tree permits. Vicki Fox 2<sup>nd</sup>. Passed.

PERMITS: Peter Herres approved the following permits to be put into record. Edward Sholonski – 34 Fischler Street for removal of a tree. Craig Devenport – 17 Walnut Street for tree removal. Harry Webster – 8 West Ave for tree removal and Denny Bliss – 9 Austin Street for tree removal. Vicki Fox 2<sup>nd</sup>. Submitted into record.

OTHER BUSINESS: Borough Manager Daniel Strausser passed out preliminary planting plans by Bob Sher for the Tops Parking Lot on Main Street. The Commission would like to look at parking lot before giving any comment.

Daniel Strausser also was contracted by Mark Foust from Penn Dot on a request that four trees be removed from west of Berwart Street and four trees be removed from west of Kelsey Street because of sight problems. The request will be in writing in the spring.

Arrangements to get the Christmas tree for the Green should be made soon.

There will be a public meeting for Woodland Park either at the end of October or the first half on November. The Commission was invited to come.

ADJOURN: The meeting was adjourned at 9:18 am with Peter Herres making the motion and Vicki Fox 2<sup>nd</sup>.

The minutes were respectfully submitted by *Teresa Marshall*  
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