

SHADE TREE COMMISSION

MINUTES

NOVEMBER 13, 2017

The meeting of the Wellsboro Shade Tree Commission was called to order by Howard Rutledge, Chairman, in the Borough Council room of the Wellsboro Municipal Building. The Pledge of Allegiance was said by all present.

ROLL CALL: Members of the Wellsboro Shade Tree Commission were Howard Rutledge, Peter Herres, Vicki Fox and Scott Nichols. Also present were Borough Manager Scot F. Boyce Jr. and Teresa Marshall Water & Sewer Clerk. Visitors were Michael White, pastor of the Wellsboro Bible Church and his children.

PUBLIC COMMENT: There was none.

MINUTES FROM OCTOBER 9, 2017. Peter Herres made a motion to accept minutes with a clarification of the wording on the section of Packer Park Trees. Scott Nichols 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion.

PACKER PARK TREES: The trees are done and Peter has received more positive feedback than negative feedback. They plan to remove the stumps this year and next year increase drainage and remove rail road ties. Also there are plans to landscape, add two benches, plant two trees and add two gaslights.

FALL PLANTING: There will be six trees coming on Tuesday, November 14, 2017 to replace the trees at the Charleston ballfield that were damaged by high winds. The 7-8 trees have already been taken down.

PAULA GREER TREE: She has been paid \$400.00 for the removal of her tree.

MCDONALDS & GREENWOOD GARDEN TREES: Scot Boyce Jr. had looked at the trees at McDonalds and brought up the fact that they had piled stones around the trees instead on creating a mulch island. The Shade Tree Commission are going to have Mike White look at the trees by the creek to see if they are in decline. Scott Nichols will look at the trees at Greenwood Gardens and get back to the Commission in December's meeting.

WEST AVENUE TREES: Two trees have been removed. The other two trees will be removed either Thursday or Friday of this week due to a scheduling conflict with the flagger force not being available until this week. They hope to have everything completed and stump grinding done before Dickens. All property owners have paid their share of the expense of removing the trees.

PUBLIC COMMENT: Pastor Mike White asked about the trees at Packer Park and Peter Herres explained the decline of the trees and the problems with the tennis courts due to the trees. He also stated that it was out of the Commissions jurisdiction and that the Borough Council made the decision.

ADJOURN: The meeting was adjourned at 8:54 am. Scott Nichols made the motion to adjourn and Vicki Fox 2<sup>nd</sup>.

The minutes were respectfully submitted by *Teresa Marshall*  
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