

WELLSBORO SHADE TREE COMMISSION

MINUTES

DECEMBER 8, 2014

The meeting of the Wellsboro Shade Tree Commission was called to order on December 8, 2014 by Howard Rutledge, Chairman. The Pledge of Allegiance was said by all present.

ATTENDANCE: Wellsboro Shade Tree Commission Members: Howard Rutledge, Peter Herres, Vicki Fox and Scott Nichols. Also present were Borough Manager Daniel Strausser and Water & Sewer Clerk Teresa Marshall.

MINUTES: Peter Herres approved the minutes from November 10, 2014 with a clarification. In the Christmas tree section, it should read that Wellsboro Electric will be decorating the tree instead of trimming the tree. Vicki Fox 2nd the motion. Passed.

EMERALD ASH BORER REPORT: The report was handed out to the members to read over and make any comments or changes to language for presentation at the next meeting.

STUMP PROGRAM: The contract has been signed with Asplundh to grind out stumps at \$120.00/hour. This will include three men, pickup truck and stump grinder. Pa One Calls will be made on the locations also.

TOPS PARKING LOT: Peter Herres will email letter to Borough Manager Daniel Strausser.

TREE CITY USA: Peter Herres has the completed and submitted the application. A special thanks was given by Howard Rutledge to Pete for all that he does.

FALL PLANTING: The trees have been planted. One tree was moved from in front of Penn Wells Lodge to the baseball field. They amended the soil for the new tree that was put in at Penn Wells Lodge.

NEPA GRANT: Peter Herres reported that the report was about half done. Vinny Cotrone hasn't sent notification for closeouts yet.

DINCHER & DINCHER: Bernie Dincher has given prices for trimming. This should take place late December 2014 or January 2015.

SPRING PLANTING: Sites will be looked at for possible planting next spring.

HAZARDOUS TREE: A permit was issued to have a tree removed from 129 Main Street by Mike Campbell. The Commission will reimburse ½ the cost of removal up to a maximum of \$400.00. Vicki Fox made the motion to accept and Scott Nichols 2nd. Passed

ADJOURN: A motion was made by Scott Nichols to adjourn the meeting and Vicki Fox 2nd. The meeting was briefly reopened to approve the permit and reimbursement costs of the hazardous tree.

The minutes were respectfully submitted by Teresa Marshall

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