

WELLSBORO SHADE TREE COMMISSION

MINUTES

MARCH 13, 2017

The meeting of the Wellsboro Shade Tree Commission was called to order in the conference room of the Wellsboro Municipal Building on March 13, 2017 at 8:30. The Pledge of Allegiance was said by all that were present.

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

PUBLIC COMMENT ON AGENDA ITEMS: There were none.

MINUTES FROM JANUARY 9, 2017: A motion was made by Peter Herres to accept the minutes as written. Scott Nichols 2<sup>nd</sup> motion. Passed.

SPRING PLANTING: There are approximately 15 trees to be planted that coincides with the list that was presented at last meeting except where the trees have not been removed on West Ave. Peter Herres will also be involved with the planting of trees in the Canton Borough. They will have ten trees to plant.

PERMIT: Brad Snowburg – 85 ½ East Avenue – Removal of Ash tree because it is dead.

STUMP REMOVAL There are around 25 sites that tree stumps were found. They will be working with Rocky Stone on prices. We did get a request from a resident on Riberolle Street on a stump removal.

HAZARDOUS TREE REMOVAL: A motion was made by Scott Nichols to increase the share of removal of hazardous trees from \$400.00 to \$500.00 per tree. Vicki Fox 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion. Passed. The Shade Tree Commission will make the offer to the Wellsboro Electric Company for the West Avenue trees to help offset the cost of removal. Carleton Nursing Home has two trees that need to be removed.

MAIN STREET MULCHING: The Boy Scouts are willing to do mulching on trees for the Order of the Arrow. The beds in Packer Parks was mentioned along with the Main Street trees. The Main Street trees need to have the old mulch removed and before the new mulch can be put on.

SCHICHEL'S NURSEY INC. BILL: A motion was made by Vicki Fox to pay the bill of \$1,776.00 and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Scott Nichols. Bill has been paid.

PUBLIC COMMENT: They will be using the gator bags for the new trees on Main Street for watering. Frank Detar has offered to donate a tree to the Borough for the Christmas tree. We will have to dig up and plant. Vicki Fox asked if we could ask Dale Martin what he has. Peter Herres would like to plant in another quadrant of the green. Vicki Fox will be talking to Julie VanNess from the Chamber and Derrick Williams from the Courthouse and report back the results for the next meeting.

ADJOURN: Scott Nichols made the motion to adjourn the meeting and Peter Herres 2<sup>nd</sup>. The meeting was adjourned at 9:20 am.

The minutes were respectfully submitted by Teresa Marshall

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