

WELLSBORO SHADE TREE COMMISSION

MARCH 14, 2016

MINUTES

The meeting of the Wellsboro Shade Tree Commission was called to order on March 14, 2016 in the Council Room of the Borough Building at 8:30 am by Howard Rutledge, Chairman. The Pledge of Allegiance was said by all present.

ATTENDANCE: Members of the Shade Tree Commission present were Howard Rutledge, Peter Herres, Vicki Fox, Scott Nichols and Robert McCarthy. Also present were Borough Manager, Daniel K Strausser and water & sewer clerk Teresa Marshall.

PUBLIC COMMENT ON AGENDA ITEMS: None

MINUTES: Peter Herres made the motion to accept the minutes from February 8, 2016 and Robert McCarthy 2nd the motion. Minutes approved as written.

HAZARD TREE REMOVAL: Will be getting quotes from local tree services & contractors for removal of hazardous trees within the next 30 days.

TREE ORDER: An order was placed for 28 trees. There was also a request from Steve Hoover to purchase two bare root trees to use for a project he is working on. Will mark locations in the next two weeks then place Pa. One Calls. High School students will be helping with the planting.

LONG RANGE PLANNING: Petr Herres has prepared a plan that is about 60 – 70% done. Included in the plan will be the species change for the trees on Main Street as they die off and are replaced, inventory of trees, hazard tree removals & bare root program.

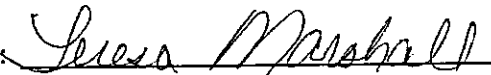
SHORT TERM PLANNING: The Commission would look at the shade tree ordinance and update and pruning of trees.

Pete Herres was invited to the Community Forestry State meeting. He was also to speak at Chamber mixer but Tim Morey will take over instead.

There was one tree that came down on West Ave that was totally hollow. There is a possibility that the Department of Forestry would take down the ash trees by Middle School on the strip of land that the Borough owns. Zoning working on updating their ordinance.

PUBLIC COMMENT: None

ADJOURN: Scott Nichols made a motion to adjourn the meeting and Robert McCarthy 2nd. Meeting adjourned at 9:03 am.

The minutes were respectfully submitted by 
Teresa Marshall