

WELLSBORO SHADE TREE COMMISSION

APRIL 15, 2013

MINUTES

The meeting of the Wellsboro Shade Tree Commission was called to order by Chairman Howard Rutledge at 7:02 pm on April 15, 2013 in the council room of the John E Dugan Fire Station/Municipal Building.

ATTENDANCE: Howard Rutledge, Peter Herres, Scott Nichols and Vicki Fox were present from the Wellsboro Shade Tree Commission. Absent was Robert McCarthy Jr. Also present was Daniel Strausser, Borough Manager.

MINUTES: The minutes from March 18, 2013 were approved as written. Peter Herres made the motion and Scott Nichols 2nd. The minutes were entered into record as written.

BARE ROOT PLANTING PLAN: The trees will be picked up at Beitlers parking lot in Mansfield on Monday, April 22, 2013 at 7:00 am. They need to be put into cold storage for two days until they are planted on Wednesday April 24, 2013. It was suggested that the pole barn down at the shop be used for storage. Rain date will be April 25, 2013. The students from the high school will help plant. They will meet at Packer Park at 8:00 AM on Wednesday. The majority of the trees will be planted on Jackson Street.

ARBOR DAY: Arbor Day will be celebrated on April 24, 2013 at 1:00 pm. The location will be Woodland Park. They will be planting a Kentucky Coffee tree.

LAUREL HEALTH PLANTING PLAN: Daniel Strausser stated that the Planning Commission and the Council had already approved the revised planting plans. Mike Wood wanted the Shade Tree Commission to decide on the species that will be planted. Peter Herres e-mailed the choices and they were accepted. Peter stated that the tree in one of the triangles may have to be moved. Daniel Strausser stated that their sign would be there. Peter said that maybe they could get them to shift the plantings back. There will be 4 Ginko Biliba (Halka Maidenhair Tree) in the front. Each side of the sign will have Snowdrift Crabapples. Sargent Cherry trees will be planted on Queen Street along with a Columnar Sargent Cherry tree in the triangle. The middle of the parking lot will have Shademaster Honeylocust. They may substitute Imperial Honeylocust if they can't get the Shademaster. We have no jurisdiction on the trees already there. Pete will have Bob McCarthy look at the Crabapples on the creek side to see if there would be anything getting into their lines. Down the line, they could plant medium trees once the new electric lines go in and help stabilize the bank. A motion was made by Scott Nichols to put the final recommendation to approve the plan into record. Vicki Fox 2nd. Passed.

PERMITS: There were none.

OTHER BUSINESS: Howard Rutledge would like to go on the Bureau of Forestry tour on June 29, 2013. The RSVP needs to be done by May 1, 2013. Lunch will be provided for anyone else that want to go.

Peter Herres plans to have the Main Street trees mulched by the second week of May.

ADJOURN: The meeting was adjourned. Vicki Fox made the motion and Scott Nichols 2nd.

The minutes were respectfully submitted by *Teresa Marshall*
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