# WELLSBORO SHADE TREE COMMISSION

## MAY 8, 2017

## MINUTES

The meeting of the Wellsboro Shade Tree Commission meeting was called to order in the Council Room of the Wellsboro Municipal Building on May 8, 2017. The Pledge of Allegiance was said by all present.

ROLL CALL: Shade Tree Members: Howard Rutledge, Peter Herres, Scott Nichols and Robert McCarthy. Also attending was Water & Sewer Clerk Teresa Marshall.

PUBLIC COMMENT OF AGENDA ITEMS: None

MINUTES FROM APRIL 10, 2017: Peter Herres made a motion to accept the minutes of April 10, 2017 as written. It was 2nd by Bob McCarthy.

SPRING PLANTING: 16 trees were planted.

ARBOR DAY: April 28, 2017 Arbor Day was held with a tree being donated by WECO planted by the Wellsboro sign on Tioga Street.

HAZARDOUS TREE REMOVAL: Robert McCarthy had a list of trees that WECO will be taking down to protect their lines. Areas include Fischler Street, Academy Street, Meade Street and Pearl Street. He also reported on the West Ave Project. They are still looking at getting bids in on the removal on the lower end of West Avenue. The Borough crew will be working along with them to remove the wood.
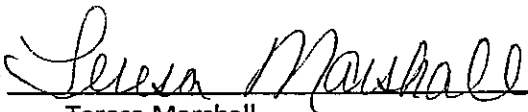
STUMP PROGRAM: A motion was made to have the Shade Tree Commission responsible for grinding out the stump that are in the right of way and the property owner responsible for removing the chips, providing the top soil and seeding up to $2,500.00 per year. Scott Nichols made the motion and Robert McCarthy 2nd. Passed. They have identified at least 30 stumps already along with the stumps that will occur when WECO does their removals.

CHRISTMAS TREE: The tree will be put back where it was and the Commission will be having the Chamber of Commerce responsible for purchase and planting tree. Peter Herres will be talking with Julie.

PUBLIC COMMENT: Peter ask that WECO give them a heads up when they started the removal of the trees.

ADJOURN: Scott Nichols made the motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:55 am. Peter Herres 2nd. Passed.

The minutes were respectfully submitted by _Teresa Marshall_
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