

WELLSBORO SHADE TREE COMMISSION

July 12, 2021

MINUTES

The meeting of the Wellsboro Shade Tree Commission was called to order by Howard Rutledge in the council room of the Wellsboro Municipal Building on July 12, 2021 at 8:30 am. The Pledge of Allegiance was said by all present.

**ATTENDANCE:** The Shade Tree members present were Howard Rutledge, Peter Herres, Vicki Fox and Brian Kennedy. Also present were Borough Manager Scot Boyce Jr. and water and sewer clerk Teresa Marshall.

**PUBLIC COMMENT ON AGENDA ITEMS:** None

**MINUTES FROM JUNE 14, 2021:** Brian Kennedy made the motion to accept the minutes as written and Petr Herres 2<sup>nd</sup>. Passed

**WECO REQUEST FOR PRUNING:** Permit for between Grant Street and Walnut St was denied. They need to prune to standards. Pete had called Tyler Mead from the electric company when he saw the crew on Central Ave without a permit. They had topped the red sunsets in front of the Green Home. They had a 2<sup>nd</sup> crew on Pearl Street that were not pruning to the standards and were brings trees down below the telephone lines. Vicki Fox made the motion to deny their permit and Brian Kennedy 2<sup>nd</sup>.

**PERMITS:** Robert Bair – 141 Main Street – removal of hazardous trees

Jim Meade – 131 Main Street – removal of hazardous tree.

Peter Herres made the motion to accept both applications and Vicki Fox 2<sup>nd</sup>. Also there was a motion to pay \$1,050.00 to Robert Bair for reimbursement for removal of three hazardous trees and \$350.00 to Jim Meade for his removal of a hazardous tree. Brian Kennedy 2<sup>nd</sup> motion.

**WATERING:** Watering is still being done when needed. Trees on Main Street were bagged. Still watching the trees that were affected by the gypsy moths.

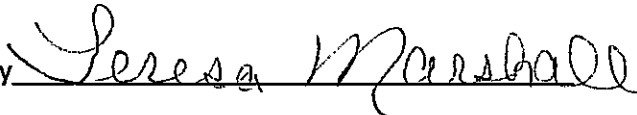
STORM DAMAGE: We had one tree blow over on Central Avenue. There was an invoice of \$250.00 to clean it up. A motion was made by Vicki Fox to pay and Brian Kennedy 2<sup>nd</sup>. The invoice was from Mike White of Tree Masters. The responsibility for removal of fallen trees are usually the responsibility of the property owner. There was a tree limb that came down three doors up on Central Ave on a roof that was the responsibility of the owner.

SPRAYING NEW TREES: BT along with sticker spreader was used to spray the new trees under their leaves. Starting to look better.

PUBLIC COMMENT: Vicki Fox suggested that a letter be sent to Tri County and the Board of Directors on their pruning methods. Peter Herres and Brian Kennedy will put a letter together. A suggestion that Dincher and Dincher were better at pruning.

ADJOURN: Brian Kennedy made the motion to adjourn the meeting and Vicki Fox 2<sup>nd</sup>. Meeting was adjourned at 9:15.

The minutes were respectfully submitted by



Teresa Marshall