

WELLSBORO SHADE TREE COMMISSION

JULY 13, 2015

MINUTES

The Wellsboro Shade Tree Commission meeting was called to order on July 13, 2015 at 8:31 am in the Council Room by Chairman Howard Rutledge. The Pledge of Allegiance was said by all who were present.

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

MINUTES: A motion by Peter Herres was made to accept the minutes of June 8, 2015 into the record. Scott Nichols 2<sup>nd</sup>. Passed.

TREE TENDERS MEETING: Howard Rutledge, Peter Herres and Scott Nichols attended the Tree Tenders meeting and have been certified. Two of the certifications will be sent with the Tree Pruning Grant application and the third one will be saved for next year.

TREE VITALIZE GRANT: Peter Herres made a motion to apply for the Tree Pruning Grant for July 30, 2015. Scott Nichols 2<sup>nd</sup>. This would be used for site triangles, limbing up and structure pruning for younger trees.

CAMPBELL'S TREE SERVICES: A motion was made by Robert McCarthy to send a letter to Campbell's Tree Service to remind him that permits are needed for any tree work between the sidewalk and curb. The motion was seconded by Scott Nichols.

PLANTING PLAN FOR MCDONALDS: Peter Herres noted that some of the species of trees were altered from the plan. The trees that were planted on the Annex's driveway side were European Hornbeams instead of Hornbeams. This doesn't meet the requirements for shading a parking lot. The final inspection has not been done. A letter will be sent to Borough Manager, Daniel K Strausser, on these issues.

PAULA GREER'S BILL: A letter will be sent to Paula Greer to have the bill reissued to reflect the removal of the hazardous tree only instead of tree removal and stump removal.

OTHER BUSINESS: Peter Herres suggested putting the need to obtain permits before cutting or pruning trees in the newsletter. Other articles can also be put into future newsletters.

Pete received documentation on the Emerald Ash Borer treatments. It was decided that they weren't interested in participating in the treatment program of the ash trees.

Peter, Howard and Scott will be following the pruning list that was received from Mark Dieffenbach to put in the grant application. This list be need to be approved by Vinny Cotrone or Steve Hoover before being submitted to Tree Vitalize.

A motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Peter Herres and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Robert McCarthy. Meeting adjourned at 9:05am.

The minutes were respectfully submitted by Teresa Marshall  
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