

WELLSBORO SHADE TREE COMMISSION

AUGUST 11, 2014

MINUTES

The meeting of the Wellsboro Shade Tree Commission was called to order by Chairman Howard Rutledge on August 11, 2014 at 8:30 am in the Council Room of the Borough Office. The Pledge of Allegiance was said by all present.

ATTENDANCE: Members of The Shade Tree Commission present were Howard Rutledge, Peter Herres and Scott Nichols. Also present were Borough Manager Daniel Strausser and Water & Sewer Clerk Teresa Marshall.

MINUTES: A motion made by Peter Herres to approve the minutes from July 14, 2014 as written and 2nd by Scott Nichols. Passed.

HAZARD TREE PROGRAM: Peter Herres made a motion to have Bob Davis remove a split maple tree on Bryden Street for \$350.00 and two trees on Siemans Street for \$400.00. Scott Nichols 2nd.

There is a tree on West Ave that needs to come down because it is dead and another that is in bad shape. Pete is asking the Wellsboro Electric Co if they will do it. There is another maple tree on Bache Street that is bad.

STUMP TREE REMOVAL: The town will be canvased to see if there are any stumps that could be included in program.

EMERALD ASH BORER: Peter Herres has been corresponding by e-mails to the two interns doing the inspections on the ash trees. Should the trees on East Ave become infected it would be cheaper to have them removed and then replant. The pesticide that was suggested only has a three year protection time and is expensive.

GREENWOOD GARDENS: Borough Manager Daniel Strausser has given them notice of the dead trees and the need for them to be replaced.

PENN WELLS LODGE TREE: The tree has been removed. It was also brought up that the trees have not been planted along the Post Office side and the islands.

OTHER BUSINESS

MCDONALDS: All of the permits have been issued and they will start tearing down around August 25, 2014. They plan to be done in 110 days. Landscaping possible in spring.

DEAN CENTER: There has been approval for benches and trees in the grassy area where the outside stage is. Scott Nichols has made a motion to provide three bare root trees in our next order to them and Peter Herres 2nd.

CHRISTMAS TREE ON GREEN: It was approved by Tioga Co Commissioners, to remove the tree on the Green because of decline and replant with a balled and burlap Colorado Blue Spruce that is green for under \$750.00.

Still watching three trees to see if they will survive that were planted. Two on Horseshoe Hill and one in front of the Penn Wells.

There will be a seminar the will be held on August 20, 2014 in Lewisburg.

Meeting adjourned at 9:12 am. Scott Nichols made the motion and Peter Herres 2nd.

The minutes were respectfully submitted by *Teresa Marshall*
Teresa Marshall
Water & Sewer Clerk