

PERRYSBURG STREET TREE COMMISSION MEETING

December 3, 2018

Chairman Scott Kirby called the meeting to order at 10:14 a.m.

Members present: Christine Ardley, Mark Easterling, Greg Kuhr, Scott Kirby, Bob Zak, Jon Eckel, Tony Kucic and Jim Hagen.

Honorary Member: Don Liedler.

Visitor: Judy Hagen, Program Coordinator for Keep Perrysburg Beautiful.

We reviewed minutes from the November 5th meeting. Bob Zak made a motion to approve the minutes as is and Tony Kucic second it. All in favor (8-0).

NEW BUSINESS

STREET TREE PLAN FOR ST. LUKE'S AT LIGHTHOUSE WAY

Greg Kuhr asked why there was not a street tree plan for this location. Mark Easterling said it is an ARC and he will have to check with Brody Walters on this question.

OLD BUSINESS

TREE CITY USA RECERTIFICATION AND GROWTH AWARD APPLICATIONS – DUE DECEMBER 7, 2018

Greg Kuhr said we are finishing up the applications and will be sending them electronically in the next day or so.

STREET TREE COMMISSION REPORT

The report has been completed and will be sent out. Jon Eckel asked that the report be emailed to Bridgette Kabat, City Administrator as well as Elaine Pantorno, Executive Secretary so that copies can be forwarded to the City Council members. We need to email the meeting minutes this way as well – no need to make paper copies anymore.

CITY WIDE LEAF PICK UP UPDATE

Still out picking up leaves. Starting on week 7 and in final sweep about halfway completed. Leaves are taken to Renewed Outdoors compost facility.

PRUNING/REMOVALS REPORT

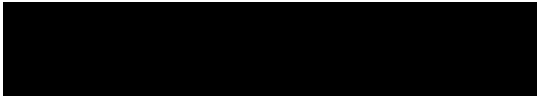
Greg Kuhr had nothing to report. The guys are busy on leaf pick up. Bob Zak asked about branch removal on a street tree in front of St. Rose Church and Greg Kuhr responded that we will get it.

FALL PLANTING UPDATE

North Branch will continue to plant as weather permits.

WINTER PRUNING PLANS

Winter pruning will continue after leaf pick up is completed and weather permits.



VOLCANO MULCH REMEDIATION PROGRAM

Judy Hagen reported that nothing has been remediated and she had no replies/calls/questions. We are planning to tag the volcano mulched street trees in the spring. Tony Kucic offered to contact the Lacrosse team's coach and talk to him about our efforts with volcano mulching as the team sells mulch as a fundraiser. Scott Kirby will write a letter that the Lacrosse team can hand out when they deliver the mulch to residents.

Scott Kirby is all in to conduct a workshop for lawn companies possibly on a Saturday morning at the Way Public Library in March or April and an evening workshop for homeowners.

If our tags are not effective, the next step would be to put a program together to do it ourselves and then if they undo the process they are in violation of ordinance. Jim Hagen said he doesn't feel it would take a lot more time to just do it ourselves and get scouts involved and press time on what we are trying to accomplish. The Sanctuary and newer neighborhoods are the worse. Scott Kirby will write an article on formula of mulch.

Jon Eckel said that city crews cannot help on this project. It would have to be Street Tree Commission, scouts, etc.

OTHER BUSINESS

Judy Hagen passed out a sheet on tree topics for the 2019 DOPS newsletter. Please review and give suggestions on the months not yet covered.

Judy Hagen also mentioned that for our Arbor Day celebration in 2019, she has talked with the Perrysburg High School photography advisor and she will work with any students in the 9th through 12th grade who live in Perrysburg to take part in a photo contest with trees. Kelly and Kelly Chalfant will be the judges and the library will post them.

Mark Easterling handed out copies of our first plan to look at -- Summerfield Plat One off Five Point Road. He will bring copies back to the next meeting for us to discuss the species. Judy Hagen has a breakdown to share with everyone showing the species available at this time so we can continue a good diversity throughout the city.

ADJOURNMENT AND NEXT MEETING

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 11:13 a.m. The date for the next meeting is **MONDAY, JANUARY 7, 2018 at 10:00 a.m.**

Debbie Ivan, Recording Secretary

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