

PERRYSBURG STREET TREE COMMISSION MEETING

November 1, 2021

Chairman Scott Kirby called the meeting to order at 10:12 a.m.

Members present: Scott Kirby, Christine Ardley, Greg Kuhr, Susan Rowland Miller, Jim Hagen and Kali Sawaya.

Members absent: Mark Easterling and Rob Ross.

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

We reviewed minutes from the October 4, 2021 meeting. Jim Hagen suggested that we put the full address with street name in under Old Business, Timbercreek Court. Correction will be made. Susan Rowland Miller made the motion to approve the minutes as corrected and Kali Sawaya second the motion and all were in favor (6-0).

NEW BUSINESS

STAKES AND ANY WRAPPING (PIPE) FROM PREVIOUS YEARS' PLANTINGS SHOULD BE SCHEDULED FOR REMOVAL

This is a winter project per Greg Kuhr.

STREET TREE COMMISSION REPORT (NEED THIS FOR THE TREE CITY APPLICATION)

According to the Tree City USA guidelines, we can use the monthly meeting notes instead of a separate report. We will review the charter/ordinance to see if such a report is needed yearly.

OLD BUSINESS

TREE CITY USA RECERTIFICATION AND GROWTH AWARD APPLICATION – DUE DECEMBER 3RD

We are working on this now. Judy Hagen passed out options for the growth award and they were discussed. We have several options to choose from.

CITY-WIDE LEAF PICK UP UPDATE

Started Round 3 today. Very light so far. Rounds 1 & 2 we had two crews out and finished by lunch on Wednesday both weeks.

WINTER PRUNING PLANS

Greg Kuhr stated we will continue to prune throughout the winter months.

STREET TREE WATER BAG DOOR HANGER

Judy Hagen passed out copies of different options. Asked Commission members to look them over and feel free to edit and we will discuss at the next meeting and decide.

Susan Rowland Miller asked for clarification on the hanger. Judy Hagen explained that the hanger will be telling them to fill the water bag. Letter was already sent out that they have a tree and here is the bag and instructions.

WEBSITE SUGGESTIONS

Susan Rowland Miller said she felt the information navigation to the website could use improvement and the guts needed to be cleaner. Judy Hagen handed out a list of topics that she gathered for us to review and revise for the web page. Discussion ensued and edits were taken down and Judy Hagen will follow this through.

PRUNING/REMOVALS REPORT

Greg Kuhr reported that city crews finished up Coe Court except two trees. The Resurfacing project hindered this completion. Little Creek Drive had several work order requests to trim up the Linden street trees. Bounced around town with some additional work orders. 99 trees pruned, 17 removals and completely stumped 5. We need to finish the stumping jobs.

Woods Tree Service removed 10 hazardous trees and Greg Kuhr reported that he added 2 additional sizable ones last week.

Storm damage limbs from street trees only were picked up.

FALL PLANTING UPDATE

Two price quotes going to City Council approval tomorrow. North Branch is \$82,750 and Underwoods is \$158,250.

Judy Hagen said she spoke with North Branch and they told her there could be a 10% increase in 2022 pricing. We now charge \$475.00 per tree and it could go to \$522.50 per tree. We will add this topic to the December agenda.

Greg Kuhr and Judy Hagen began staking locations for the planting in late November and letters will be sent out this week to those who will be receiving a tree.

OTHER BUSINESS

Greg Kuhr suggested that a tree be planted at Three Meadows Park honoring Don Lieder and his 30 year tenure on the Perrysburg Street Tree Commission.

ADJOURNMENT AND NEXT MEETING

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 11:04 a.m. with Scott Kirby making the motion and Christine Ardley seconding the motion. The date for the next meeting is Monday, December 6, 2021.

Debbie Ivan

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