

PERRYSBURG STREET TREE COMMISSION MEETING

October 4, 2021

Chairman Scott Kirby called the meeting to order at 10:06 a.m.

Members present: Scott Kirby, Christine Ardley, Rob Ross, Greg Kuhr, Susan Rowland Miller, Jim Hagen and Mark Easterling (late).

Member absent: Kali Sawaya.

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

We reviewed minutes from the September 7, 2021 meeting. Susan Rowland Miller made the motion to approve the minutes as is and Scott Kirby second the motion and all were in favor (6-0).

NEW BUSINESS

TREE CITY USA RECERTIFICATION AND GROWTH AWARD APPLICATION PAPERWORK SHOULD BEGIN

We have received the paperwork and will begin working on it.

CITY-WIDE LEAF PICK UP BEGINS

Leaf pick up begins on Monday, October 18th on the west side of town.

WINTER PRUNING PLANS DISCUSSED

Greg Kuhr reported that over 1,000 city trees were pruned in 2020. He is hoping to surpass this amount in 2021.

OLD BUSINESS

TIMBERCREEK COURT

Susan Rowland Miller made a motion that we remove the street tree in front of 650 and 624 and not replace them. Christine Ardley second the motion and all in favor (7-0). Rob Ross will call the resident back with this information.

DEPENDING UPON WEATHER CONDITIONS, DISCUSS WATERING OF PREVIOUS TWO YEARS' FALL PLANTINGS

Greg Kuhr stated that bags still on street trees from planting two years ago will be removed in the spring. Continued discussion on the door hanger. Judy Hagen handed out a draft of one and Susan Rowland Miller handed out her suggestions. Everyone will review and we will make appropriate changes and come up with one door hanger and then off to the printer.

PRUNING/REMOVALS REPORT

Another busy month for city crews according to Greg Kuhr. City crews pruned 92 street trees in the Coe Court area and is close to wrapping it up. They also had 5 removals in this same area and 32 stumps were removed throughout the City and filled. They also had to remove a large limb from the Fifth Street access that fell into a backyard on Civic Drive. No structural damage but we will have to remove the tree as it showed signs of hollowing. After completion in this area, they will be moving into Riverford.

Woods Tree Service removed a split Oak tree on Cherry Street and another tree on Walnut.

Greg Kuhr will be requesting quotes for 10 large removals.

FALL PLANTING UPDATE

Pricing from North Branch for 211 varieties of trees comes to \$82,754.00. These numbers are collected from the following: 111 P&Z permits, 59 for Rivers Edge Senior Living Development and 41 resident requests.

OTHER BUSINESS

Susan Rowland Miller handed out recommendations for website update. She felt that the information navigation to the website could use improvement and requested having a street tree icon on the front page of the website.

Scott Kirby treated the parking lot trees at the fire station on West Indiana for scale.

ADJOURNMENT AND NEXT MEETING

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 10:52 a.m. with Susan Rowland Miller making the motion and Scott Kirby seconding the motion. The date for the next meeting is Monday, November 1, 2021.

Debbie Ivan

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