

4/5/2018
MEETING MINUTES
7:30pm Village Hall

Present: Tony Bardes (TB) Charles Day (CD), Kory Riesterer (KR), Jennifer Zwarich (JZ).

Summary:

TAB convened at 7:40pm.

2/28/18 meeting minutes approved.

Initial discussion of sample PVC tree guards C. Day had recently seen at an industry conference. Multiple designs exist at half the price of metal tree guards. J. Zwarich spoke to manufacturer for further details. TAB members had questions as to longevity and would like to see some samples. J. Zwarich also reported that donor money had come in for 2 tree guard pits at end of Main Street and that she would be meeting with the Mayor to discuss the remaining willow tree at the waterfront. The Tupelos replacing the other waterfront willows will be planted very soon according to Rec chairperson who is managing the project.

OLD BUSINESS

1. TAB fiscal year 2018-19 Budget update: Carryover budget was approved by Village Board, as was approval to apply for DEC Urban And Community Forestry grant again this round
2. Miscellaneous updates
 - a) Village Tree Walking Tour: K. Riesterer reported labels have arrived; she and C. Day will install in time for Arbor Day celebration Friday April 27th 4pm. J. Zwarich working on printed brochures of tour to be available that day. PDF of brochure will also be available on website for download.
 - b) 2 Kemble Ave. sponsored sidewalk/tree project: funds are in place to do work; will need to hire out for sidewalk removal given Hwy Dept. personnel turnover and busy schedule this spring.
 - c) Open tree cutting applications:
 - 32 Market St. issue of Norway Maple near property line
 - 6 Benedict issue of tree on village property but property stakes are not present so difficult to determine ownership. Mayor has indicated he will help read survey and determine. The property owner is having Garrison Tree clear out other trees on their adjoining property and has offered to do this tree of concern as well.
 - 38 Northern Ave. issue of Locust tree in creek bed where large limb fell, the village received a complaint.
 - Pine Street, Laura Kauffman, issue of Norway Maple with leader now topped-- crowding Pin Oak – resident has offered to pay to take down and replace.
 - d) miscellaneous pruning work due to storm damage – outstanding: T. Bardes volunteered to do a drive by survey of village trees still needing attention. Discussion around need to tag trees for maintenance—planned grant funds to accomplish this.

- e) Main Street beautification plaques/pavers – J. Zwarich reported meeting with Bugsy who will install pavers around new tree pits.
- 3. Arbor Day 2018 planning: Donated tree to be planted for Arbor Day on Northern Ave. Some discussion about planting on 9D adjacent to the business district but unclear still as to right of way here. Scouts will help mulch Arbor Day tree. For 2nd year in row Village has been awarded Tree City status! Plaque received this year with large signs to be installed by HWY dept at both ends of village so visible from each entry point to visitors.

New Business

- 4. Chairperson report on meeting with new HWY Super: J. Zwarich reported that Bugsy had questions regarding tots park area – he had reached out to TAB to start discussion. Meeting was very positive; TAB looks forward to continuing to maintain a great relationship with village HWY dept.
- 5. Round table discussion re: new TAB member – tabled to next meeting
- 6. 2018 TAB priorities – tabled to next meeting though J. Zwarich did ask TAB members to come to next meeting with a project they want to spearhead in 2018. Some thoughts circulated such as tree tags (TB) and lawn and leaf bag fundraiser (JZ) plus label possibilities (KR & CD) given the new laser engraver former TAB member G. Robertson recently acquired and mentioned to TAB.
- 7. Correspondence re: tree cutting applications was shared. See item 2c above.
- 8. Public comment: None

Meeting adjourned 8:53pm.