

TREE COMMISSION

October 21, 2013

The October 21, 2013 Tree Commission meeting was called to order at 11:00 a.m. in Council Chambers by Sara Lou Brown, Chairman. Tree Commission members present were Sara Lou Brown, Linda Geary, Judi Lambrite, and Don Spiegel. Jim Wheeler was absent.

Others present included: Scott Washburn, Mayor; Randy Moore, Parks Manager; and Sarah Bennett, Clerk.

The minutes of the June 17, 2013 Tree Commission meeting, having been mailed to each Tree Commission member, were approved as received.

The minutes of the August 19, 2013 Tree Commission meeting, having been mailed to each Tree Commission member, were approved as received.

Mr. Moore reported that Park Department employees are currently trimming street trees throughout the City, especially those blocking street signs.

Members reviewed a list of meeting dates for 2014 for the Tree Commission. The dates include: January 13, March 17, April 21, June 16, August 18, and October 20; with a meeting will be held on November 17 in the event that one of the other scheduled monthly meetings is cancelled.

A motion was made by Mr. Spiegel, seconded by Mrs. Lambrite, to approve the list of Tree Commission meeting dates for 2014 as presented. Upon Voice Vote, all members voted Yes. The Chairman declared the motion carried.

Mrs. Binau inquired as to if the City has written information or a brochure available to anyone interested in donating a memorial tree. Mr. Moore indicated that the City does not have information available in written form concerning memorial trees, and that currently individuals contact the Mayor's Office regarding this information. Mrs. Geary indicated that the City of Lima has a brochure containing a form for donating memorial trees and she will obtain copies of this information for the Tree Commission.

Mr. Moore requested permission to attend a Northwest Ohio Urban Forestry Seminar on Thursday in Arcadia, Ohio at a cost of \$15.00. Mr. Moore indicated that two topics to be discussed he is interested in are Asian Longhorn Beetles and Gypsy Moths.

A motion was made by Mrs. Geary, seconded by Mr. Spiegel, to approve Mr. Moore to attend the NW Ohio Urban Forestry Seminary on Thursday at a cost of \$15.00. Upon Voice Vote, all members voted Yes. The Chairman declared the motion carried.

There being no further business, the Chairman declared the meeting adjourned.

Sarah J. Bennett, Clerk

Sara Lou Binau, Chairman