

TREE COMMISSION

June 15, 2015

The June 15, 2015 Tree Commission meeting was called to order at 2:00 p.m. in Council Chambers by Sara Lou Binau, Chairman. Tree Commission members present were Sara Lou Binau and Don Spiegel. Judi Lambrite and Jim Wheeler were absent.

Others present included: Scott Washburn, Mayor; Matt Patchett, Parks Department; Tom Shumaker; and Sarah Bennett, Clerk.

Mr. Tom Shumaker, 428 Front Street, addressed the Tree Commission concerning a bill for \$150.00 he received recently for a tree that he removed from his yard in 2014. Mr. Shumaker explained that in the fall of 2012 the ash tree that was located in his tree lawn was removed by the City, the City planted a new tree in his tree lawn with only two of the tree's branches having leaves at that time, in the spring of 2013 there were no leaves on the tree, and in 2014 Mr. Shumaker pulled the dead tree out of the ground with his hands and hauled it to the compost pile. Mr. Shumaker indicated that he has witnesses who observed that the tree was dead. Mr. Shumaker also indicated that the City planted a new tree in his tree lawn in the spring of this year and he would like to have the tree moved as he doesn't want to deal with this type of situation again. Tree Commission members agreed to review this matter at the August 17, 2015 Tree Commission meeting. Mr. Matt Patchett arrived at the meeting at this time and presented a report from Mr. Randy Moore, Parks Manager, concerning the tree. This report will be copied for the members of the Tree Commission to review at the August 17 meeting.

Mr. Patchett reported that all trees ordered for spring planting have been delivered and planted.

Mr. Patchett also reported that all plaques ordered for trees planted in memory or honor of individuals were installed on concrete at the tree designated for those individuals.

Due to a lack of quorum, the meeting adjourned.

Sarah J. Bennett, Clerk

Sara Lou Binau, Chairman