

TREE COMMISSION

October 21, 2019

The October 21, 2019 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, Judi Lambrite, and John Walker. Roxie Karg was absent.

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

The minutes of the June 17, 2019 Tree Commission meeting, having been mailed to each Tree Commission member, were approved as received.

The minutes of the August 19, 2019 Tree Commission meeting, having been mailed to each Tree Commission member, were approved as received.

Mr. Niederkohr reported that an order was placed last week for trees for fall planting within the City. There were twenty-four (24) trees ordered that will be planted within the tree lawns and parks in early November.

Mr. Niederkohr also reported that the Parks Department has been repairing some sidewalks within the City, especially those near the schools, where trees have heaped up the sidewalks. The roots are being ground to enable this repair.

Tree Commission members reviewed the proposed meeting schedule for 2020 with meetings to be held on the following dates: January 13, March 16, April 20, June 22, August 17, and October 19. In the event that one of these meetings is cancelled a meeting will be held on November 16.

A motion was made by Mrs. Lambrite, seconded by Mr. Walker, to approve the 2020 Tree Commission meeting dates as proposed. Upon Roll Call, all members voted Yes. The Chairman declared the motion carried.

Mr. Niederkohr further reported that the Tree City USA recertification application is due on December 6, 2019 and the expenses from the fall planting, as earlier reported, will be included in this application.

Mr. Niederkohr indicated that a Tree Commission Academy will be held in Tiffin, Ohio in January 2020 and one or two of the Park Department employees will probably be attending and any interested Tree Commission members are also welcomed to attend.

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

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Sarah J. Bennett, Clerk

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Sara Lou Binau, Chairman