

Shepherdstown Tree Commission Minutes

Thursday, May 14, 2009

7:00 PM

Town Hall

Members Present: W. Maddox, L. Robertson

Staff: F. Welch

Absent: M. Stanley

1. Meeting called to order by Chairperson W. Maddox at 7:00 PM
2. Approval of May 14, 2009 Tree Commission Minutes. Motion by W. Maddox, Second by L. Robertson. Motion carried unanimously.
3. Visitors: Bain Schill
4. New Business:
 - A) DogiPots
L. Robertson has the information but forgot to bring it. Will bring to next meeting.
 - B) Financial reports
Pat gave us the financial report but there was discussion as to what the actual balance is. Will ask Pat.
 - C) May Day Proclamation-5/2/09
The Mayor read the proclamation and also read a poem written by W. Maddox. Once Wendy gets the proclamation she will give it to Lori to mail in for Tree City.
5. Old Business:
 - A) Application for recertification
Tree City is 90% done, waiting on second Proclamation just done to include.
 - B) Article in Good Shepherd
Not the right kind of publication to put tree information in.
 - C) Ordinance Revision
The town attorney has it. Once it is done it will go to the Planning Commission for them to handle in the future.
 - D) Pamphlets

On Hold

E) Grant Money

Ask Mary about the July 1st deadline. Also Bain, once officially voted in, is interested in helping Mary with finding grant money.

F) Tree Labels

W. Maddox is starting to place the labels on the trees about town.

G) Spring Maintenance

There are 2 crepe myrtles on Princess Street that have died. They were planted in the Fall by Antietam but bought at Sunny side Farms. These need to be replaced asap.

Dr. Paul Davis, Mills Street, has a tree in front of his home that needs an estimate from Antietam.

Pruning of established trees needs to be done this spring, picking up brush, pulling weeds and tagging the trees also.

6. Misc. Business

A) There was discussion as to whether or not Frank could be a member of the Commission. He will ask Amy.

B) Commission vacancy

Bain Schill has made a request to fill Neal Martineau's slot on the commission. W. Maddox and L. Robertson make a recommendation to appoint Bain Schill, pending approval by email or phone as the 3rd member. Once the third member approves, we will make recommendation to the Town Council. Motion by W. Maddox, Second by L. Robertson to recommend Bain Schill to join the Tree Commission to the Town Council with the above pending approval. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion made by L. Robertson, Second by W. Maddox to adjourn at 7:53 PM. Motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,
Lori Robertson