

Shepherdstown Tree Commission Minutes

Thursday, May 20, 2010

7:00 PM

Town Hall

Members Present: W. Maddox, L. Robertson, B. Schill, F. Welch and Chris Stroech.

Absent:

1. Meeting called to order by W. Maddox at 7:00 PM
2. Approval of April, 2010 Tree Commission Minutes.
Motion made by W. Maddox, Second by B. Schill to approve the agenda and April 2010 minutes. Motion carried unanimously.
3. Visitors: Tom Wenner
4. New Business:
 - A) Tree canopy/inventory update.
W. Maddox stated that no GIS work has been done to date.
 - B) Trees along German Street being broken.
These have been pruned.
 - C) 211 East High Street- tree maintenance.
This is in regard to a dead tree, it was discussed that Antietam should take the tree down after June 2. F. Welch will contact Antietam.
Motion made by F. Welch, Second by W. Maddox to approve the removal of the dead tree by Antietam. Motion carried unanimously.

There are also two dead trees in Devonshire Park that need replacing.

**Motion made by L. Robertson, Second by C. Stroech to remove the dead trees.
Motion carried unanimously.**

There are a total of five trees that need replacing around town and in the parks.

Motion made by L. Robertson, Second by C. Stroech to replace up to five trees as needed. Motion carried unanimously.

D) W. Maddox requested reimbursement for her Arborist dues in the amount of \$145.00 to be paid for by the Tree Commission.

Motion made by L. Robertson, Second by C. Stroech to pay for the dues. Motion carried unanimously.

5. Old Business:

A) Ordinance – no change in status.

B) Trees along Alt. 45.
Trees were purchased and planted along Alt. 45.

C) Men's Club planter status.
C. Stroech was informed that Mary Stanley planted them.

D) Mulch/maintenance planters German Street.

It was discussed when the Tree Commission was to take over maintenance of these planters. No one was sure how long the contract was from the landscaping company and what their duties actually were. L. Robertson to see the contract and forward to the Tree Commission.

Mulch to be put in the beds was discussed and thought best to do it after the Back Alley Garden Tour and we will try to get volunteers to help out.

E) Pamphlets
W. Maddox ordered 20 different pamphlets to be placed at Town Hall when requesting a Tree Request Form as well as at the Visitor's Center. They were \$202.00.

F) W. Maddox to order ten tree bags.

Motion made by L. Robertson, Second by C. Stoech to adjourn at 7:55 PM. Motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,
Lori Robertson