

**SHADE TREE COMMISSION
APRIL 23, 2019
MOTION SUMMARY**

ITEM 1. Roll Call

Vice-Chairwoman Brewster called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

Members Present: Melissa Bargar, Dave Carey, Stan Eddy (exited the meeting at 7:34 p.m.), Tom Wolber, and Vice-Chairwoman Shannon Brewster

Members Absent: Fredericka Shanks, Tom Glissman, Becki Wood-Meek, and Chairwoman Wright

Staff Present: Doug Richmond, Arborist, Linda Mathews, Customer Service Liaison, Ted Miller, Parks and Natural Resource Director,

Motion to Excuse: Mr. Wolber moved to excuse Ms. Shanks, Mr. Glissman, Ms. Wood-Meek, and Chairwoman Wright, seconded by Vice-Chairwoman Brewster. Motion approved with a 5-0 vote.

ITEM 2. APPROVAL OF MOTION SUMMARY of Shade Tree Commission meeting of February 26, 2018 as recorded and transcribed.

Motion: Mr. Wolber moved to approve the Motion Summary for the February 26, 2019 meeting, seconded by Mr. Carey. Motion failed with a 4-0-1 (Bargar) vote.

ITEM 3. PUBLIC COMMENTS

ITEM 4. DISCUSSION of Community Outreach Activities

A. Arbor Day

Mr. Richmond provided information on the April 26 Arbor Day activities that will be held at Rutherford B. Hayes High School. Mr. Richmond discussed the involvement of the Environmental Science Class and Mr. Backus in the celebration. The Mayor will provide a proclamation during the event.

B. First Friday

The Commission plans to have a booth at the May 3, 2019 First Friday event to pass out seedlings and information leaflets. The online signup sheet for volunteers at the event were reviewed. Mr. Carey has 300 white pine seedlings for the Commission to pass out and informed the Commission that the seedlings are not bagged.

C. NOW Festival

Mr. Wolber informed the Commission that the date for this event is June 22. This event is being organized by Caroline Cicerchi, Watershed Coordinator.

ITEM 6. DISCUSSION of Tree Canopy

Mr. Carey discussed the report provided to the Commission. He discussed the software he utilized and the methodology. He discussed how the report can help determine future expansion needs of the canopy and how much is needed to grow each year. The Commission to discuss in more detail with staff how the report can be utilized.

ITEM 7. ARBORIST REPORT

Mr. Richmond reviewed the Arborist Report. There was 27 trees pruned and 3 trees and 3 stumps that were removed. He discussed that there was a cleanup for Earth Day at Mingo Park, organized by Caroline Cicerchi. This event had 75 volunteers to assist with picking up litter and trash. He attended the Tree City USA celebration recently. The City of Delaware as renewed its memorandum of understanding with the Columbus Zoo in helping to provide browse to help feed the animals at the zoo.

Ms. Bargar asked how the tree removal is tracked. Mr. Richmond explained that the City can only track city trees that are removed, including trees in parks and city right of ways.

Mr. Wolber discussed a concern that was brought up by Mayor Riggle at the April 22 Council meeting during the Shade Tree Annual Report. She had discussed the pruning that had taken place throughout the Northwest Neighborhood relating to the overhead wires and if trees that needed replaced could be a slower growing tree. Mr. Carey discussed the need to look at the list of recommended trees for under utility wires to be reviewed as there is not much selection available.

ITEM 8. STAFF COMMENTS

ITEM 9. MEMBER COMMENTS

Mr. Carey provided a review of the Annual Shade Tree Commission report to be presented before City Council.

Mr. Wolber questioned how the recent visit to the City's greenhouse was. Mr. Richmond discussed the types of plants that are being grown in the greenhouse

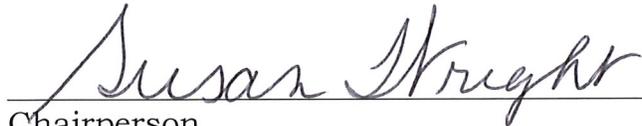
which includes, tropical plants, annuals, and perennials.

ITEM 10. PLAN REVIEWS

- A. Belmont Place – Section 6 – approved with species changes
- B. Belmont Place – Section 7 – approved with species changes
- C. Glenross – Section 13 – approved with species changes
- D. Wesleyan Inn – approved as submitted
- E. Winterbrooke Place - approved with species changes and suggested change to pear trees in the common ground areas
- F. Coughlin Crossing – Sub Area 6 – approved as submitted
- G. Preserve at Quail Pass - Informational

ITEM 11. ADJOURNMENT

Motion: Mr. Carey moved to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Mr. Wolber. The Shade Tree Commission meeting adjourned at 7:59 p.m.


Chairperson


Clerk