

SHADE TREE COMMISSION
August 27, 2019
MOTION SUMMARY

ITEM 1. Roll Call

Chairwoman Wright called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

Members Present: Melissa Bargar, Grace Martin, Dave Carey, Stan Eddy, Tom Wolber, Becki Wood-Meek, Vice-Chairwoman Shannon Brewster and Chairwoman Wright

Members Absent: Tom Glissman

Staff Present: Doug Richmond, Arborist

Motion to Excuse: Mr. Wolber moved to excuse Mr. Glissman seconded by Mr. Carey. Motion approved with a 8-0 vote.

Chairwoman Wright introduced the new student representative, Grace Martin.

ITEM 2. APPROVAL OF MOTION SUMMARY of Shade Tree Commission meeting of June 25, 2019 as recorded and transcribed.

Mr. Wolber notified the Commission of a wording change under public comments and the need to change the word hard to harm.

Motion: Mr. Carey moved to approve the Motion Summary for the June 25, 2019 meeting, as corrected, seconded by Ms. Wood-Meek. Motion approved with a 8-0 vote.

ITEM 3. PUBLIC COMMENTS

There was no public comment.

ITEM 4. ARBORIST REPORT

Mr. Richmond reviewed the report and informed the Commission that there was 57 service request received and that there is currently 25 of these requests still outstanding.

Mr. Wolber questioned when planting will occur as we enter the fall season. Mr. Richmond plans for the planting to occur in November and December. Mr. Wolber also discussed the plans to remove two trees at the Rice Property at 50 West William Street. Mr. Richmond discussed that the on tree is an invasive species and the other tree has root rot on the western side of the tree.

Vice-Chairwoman Brewster requested that Mr. Richmond observe the Pennsylvania Avenue and North Sandusky Street intersection. She stated that due to a maple tree and other signage it is difficult to see the stop sign.

Ms. Bargar voiced concerns over maple tree along Central Avenue that appear to be a yellow translucent color. Mr. Richmond discussed that this is due to an iron deficiency most likely related to poor soil and the high amount of rain this spring. He discussed that the City does not typically treat with fertilizer or pests and that these treatments can cause liability issues. The Commission discussed options to fertilize with root injections. Mr. Richmond discussed the difficulty accessing the roots near a street and a private property and the cost.

ITEM 5. STAFF COMMENTS

ITEM 6. MEMBER COMMENTS

Mr. Carey discussed ideas on how to provide community outreach regarding volcano mulching and education on planting trees too high in the soil. Ms. Bargar recommended a flyer on proper techniques be placed in the utility bill or the quarterly newsletter. The Commission discussed having a video placed on the website and social media. Ms. Wood-Meek volunteered to coordinate the video with city staff.

Mr. Wolber provided information on the upcoming Park Planning Meeting that is being held by Councilwoman Lisa Keller and Parks and Natural Resource Director Ted Miller. The Clerk will send the invitation to the meeting to the Commission.

ITEM 7. PLAN REVIEWS

- A. Springer Woods – Phase 2 & 3 – Approved with different species quantities
- B. Coughlin’s Crossing – Phase 2 – Approved as proposed
- C. Evans Farm – Informational Only

ITEM 9. ADJOURNMENT

Motion: Mr. Wolber moved to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Vice-Chairwoman Brewster. The Shade Tree Commission meeting adjourned at 7:26 p.m.



Chairperson



Clerk