



Shade Tree and Beautification

February 23, 2021

Commission Meeting

Minutes

3:00 PM

CALL TO ORDER

Attendee Name	Title	Status	Arrived
Susan Kahrl	Board Member	Absent	
Kate Burley	Board Member	Present	
James Brown	Chair	Present	
Brian Ball	City Engineer	Absent	
Richard Dzik	Safety Service Director	Absent	
Colleen Clarkson		Present	
Quetin Platt		Present	
Tanner Salyers	At Large	Present	

Brian Wade-Wade and Gatton Nursery
Judy Ashcraft-Recording Secretary

MINUTES APPROVAL

- Shade Tree and Beautification - Commission Meeting - Jan 26, 2021 3:00 PM

The minutes are ready for approval but Mr. Brown had some changes and wants the Commission members to see the corrections before they are voted on.

FINANCIAL REPORT

Mr. Brown stated that he has a purchase order for the trees that will be planted at Mavis Island this Spring.

OLD BUSINESS

Fall Planting updates

Mr. Brown stated that trees were planted in January but February was too snowy.

NEW BUSINESS

Tree City 2022

Lancaster, Ohio is hosting the Tree City 2020 this year. They are planning to have it in June and hopefully outside. We will be hosting Tree City Thursday April 21, 2022. The Mount Vernon Nazarene College, city of Gambier, and Kenyon College will again partner with us.

Public Square

There will be an Arts Festival on the Public Square Saturday, March 13, 2021 starting at 8:00am. The trees on the public square will be harvested and cut into planks for the MTV Arts challenge on Saturday March 13. There will be two Tree services demonstrating log cutting. The Masonic Lodge will be getting some of the Buckeye tree because they donated the tree when it was planted on the square. The marker from the Buckeye tree will be given to the Masonic Lodge. Jon May will get the marker.

Arbor Day

Arbor Day will take place at East School on April 30, 2021 at 2:20pm. The Mayor will present his proclamation and superintendent Seder will attend and do a reading for the children. A program of some kind will also be presented. We will plant 2 sugar Maple trees and 1 Oak tree in the front area of the school. There are Maple trees that had been removed and new ones planted at the school.

TCP 2021

TCP 2021-TCP for 2021 will target Belmont, Mulberry, Catherine and Oak streets

Gateway Project-SOS to clear out the pine trees.

Field House planting-We will plant trees in front of the Field House (parking lot).

Tanner Salyers introduced Quentin Platt as a new member of the Shade Tree Commission and replaced Lauren Heffelfinger. Lauren will be available this summer.

Bob with the Mount Vernon News is to reach out to head the Bee City USA.

Kate Burley will get a list of trees to Jon May for the water truck. She will also get a list to Scott of last years trees for maintenance.

ADJOURN

Colleen Clarkson made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Kate Burley seconded the motion. Motion carries, meeting adjourned.