

# Findlay Shade Tree Commission (FSTC) Meeting #6 Minutes Sept 5, 2024

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**Meeting was held on September 5, 2024 at 11:38 am**, in the Municipal Building Large Conference Room.

**Attendance:** Haley Belisle, AJ Copus, Jane Ebersole, Jeremy Kalb, Tom Mills, and Rick Watson. Also in attendance was Jaclynn Hohman, City Project Manager.

**Welcome:** Haley (Chair) thanked everyone for attending.

**Minutes:** August meeting minutes were presented. Jane moved, Rick seconded motion to approve, vote unanimous.

**Financial Report:** Haley distributed report for review.

## Reports

- **City Council Representative** – No report.
- **Public Works Department (PWD)** – Report below with RATS.
- **Engineering Department** – Jeremy gave an update on the property of 568 and Bright Road. Still looking for a hard wood to replace the black walnuts at the corner. The Arborvitae are struggling with the heat and maybe as a result of the stock.

## Old Business

- **Canopy Restoration Project** – Robin Schey has sent the spreadsheet and copies of the NW quadrant for STC. We will be using the same tree planting list. Possibilities for putting extra trees at UF and East Main Cross towards the County Club. Schedule for fall RATS will be as follows:
  - August 16 - deadline for any new requests from the community
  - August 21 - Robin will have the informational e-mail to all residents
  - August 30 - deadline for residents to call/contact online OUPS
  - September 3 - A.J. will have an updated tree list from N. Branch. Robin will set up the spreadsheet for contacting residents
  - September 5 - A.J. will bring stakes for STC members and consults begin
  - September - Robin will send tree list to residents once property staked
  - October 3 - Orders in to N. Branch
  - October 7 - Delivery and planting begins that week
  - Grant money will end December 31, 2024.
- **Adopt-A-Tree & Neighborwoods** – AAT will be combined with RATS. AAT and Neighborwoods can resume in the Spring 2025. Plans to keep similar process with the spreadsheet and timeline for future projects.

## New Business

- **Prescription Pruning Workshop** – October 16-17 at Secrest Arboretum in Wooster, Ohio
- **Northwest Ohio Urban Forestry Conference** – November 7 in Bluffton, Ohio 9:00a -2:30p. It was suggested that the STC mtg be moved to the following Wednesday November 13 so members would be available to attend, which was approved.

With no further business, Haley adjourned the meeting at 12:11 pm.

Next meeting will be Wednesday November 13 at 11:30 am in Municipal Building. Scribed by Jane Ebersole and submitted by Haley Belisle.