

# Shade Tree Commission (STC) Meeting Minutes

**Date:** February 13, 2019

**Location:** Municipal Bldg. Findlay, Ohio

**Attending:**

- **Commission Members:** Tom Mills, Ed Crawford and Ben Dolan
- **City of Findlay:** Dave Honse, Jeremy Kalb, AJ Copus
- **City Council:** Jim Niemeyer

**Agenda:**

- 1) **Introduction of New Members-** Ed Crawford and Barb Sherman have been approved to the STC. Still looking into one more member.
- 2) **Reports:**
  - **City Council** - Niemeyer reported that a new Mayor will be appointed February 25, 2019.
  - **Finance Report-** The current budget of \$5,300 has been approved for FY2019. The numbers are similar to last year's budget, with the two largest items being the Neighbor-Woods and Adopt A Tree Programs. A motion was made by Dolan to accept the financial report, seconded by Niemeyer. Motion carried.
  - **Public Works and Engineering Reports** – Reported that the replacement for the City's Christmas Tree will be planted this spring. The Green Waste Site will be from its current site to a location behind the old Manley Building, this is due to the river benching project. Weather has not allowed tree-trimming work. A new waterline is being replaced at Blanchard and Six<sup>th</sup> streets, so there may some tree displacement work. AEP will be moving their transmission lines near Swale park due to the River work.
- 3) **Old Business**
  - **Neighbor Woods 2019:** The date is set for April 13<sup>th</sup> in the Vincent Street area. Some discussion with Bishop Realty on tree needs.
  - **Arbor Day Update:** The date is set for April 12<sup>th</sup> at Whittier School.
- 4) **New Business**
  - **Review Job Sheet** – Mills covered the STC's jobs needs. Several Education/Outreach items were discussed.
  - **Education/Marketing** – Dolan was asked to be the STC's web-page contact person. The STC's display is currently housed at the Municipal Bldg. it could be used at others city events such as with Chamber's events. Other ideas suggested would be a chain saw safety awareness, coordinate local tree care professionals to work with city residents.
  - **Tree City USA Celebration** – The date is set for April 17, 2019 in Crestline.
- 5) **Other**
  - **Urban Forestry 40<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Forum** – June 21, 2019.
  - **Ohio State Fairgrounds Natural Resources Park**

**Adjournment:** Motion made by Dolan to adjourn meeting at 4:45pm, seconded by Niemeyer, motion carried. **Next Meeting March 5, 2019**